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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-ninth Legislature

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of Health and Welfare shall be subject to the provisions of sections 250, 251 and 252 of chapter 25, sections 250 to 252.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 61

AN ACT Relating to Rest Periods for Female Employees.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 30, § 36, amended. Section 36 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 36. No female to be employed more than 6½ hours at one time. No female shall, except in cases of emergency or extraordinary public requirement as provided in section 32, be employed or permitted to work for more than 6 ½ hours continuously at one time in any establishment or occupation named in sections 30 and 32 in which 3 or more such females are employed, without an interval of at least one hour a consecutive 30-minute rest period; except that such female may be so employed for not more than 6½ hours continuously at one time if such employment ends not later than 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon and if she is then dismissed for the remainder of the day but this shall not apply to any telephone exchange where the operator during the night is not required to operate at the switchboard continuously but is able to sleep the major part of the night. Females employed in any workshop, factory, manufacturing or mechanical establishment on a shift period of more than 6½ hours shall be given not less than a consecutive 30 minute rest period on each shift at such a time, so that the employee does not work more than 6½ consecutive hours on any one shift without such rest period. The commissioner may permit a shorter time to be fixed for rest periods in any manufacturing establishment, if it is proved to his satisfaction that it is necessary by reason of the continuous nature of the processes or of special circumstances affecting such manufacturing establishment and that such shorter time for rest periods will not be injurious to the health of the females affected thereby. The permit shall be in writing and copies shall be posted in a conspicuous place in every room in which females affected thereby are employed.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 62

AN ACT Relating to Unfair Wage Agreements.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 30, § 53, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 53 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'No person, firm or corporation shall require or permit any person as a condition of securing or retaining employment in any factory, work shop, manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishment to work without monetary