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Chapter 69

AN ACT Relating to Registration of Property Subject to Sales or Use Tax.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 17, § 4, amended. The last sentence of section 4 of chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes is repealed, as follows:

~~'Whenever any tangible personal property whose sale or use is subject to tax under this chapter is required to be registered for use within this state by any other chapter than this, no registration shall be granted unless the applicant for registration has paid the sales tax or the use tax thereon.'~~

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 17, § 4-A, additional. Chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section to be numbered 4-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 4-A. No registration unless tax paid. Whenever any tangible personal property whose sale or use is subject to tax under this chapter is required to be registered for use within this State by any chapter other than this, the applicant for registration, whether or not the owner, shall himself pay the sales tax or use tax or shall prove that said tax is not owing, as a prerequisite to the granting of such registration.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 70

AN ACT Increasing Compensation for Boards of Registration in Cities with Over 39,000 Inhabitants.

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

R. S., c. 3, § 13, amended. The last paragraph of section 13 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 396 of the public laws of 1955 and by section 1 of chapter 282 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'In cities of 39,000 inhabitants and over, the chairman of the board shall receive ~~\$3,250~~ \$3,500 per year and the other 2 members of the board shall receive ~~\$2,900~~ \$3,250 per year and such additional amounts as may be authorized by the municipal officers or board of finance.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 71

AN ACT Relating to Speed of Motor Vehicles on the Interstate System.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 113-B, amended. The last sentence of the first paragraph of section 113-B of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 5 of

chapter 317 and as amended by section 2 of chapter 423, both of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'The State Highway Commission, the Secretary of State and the Chief of the State Police, acting jointly, shall also have authority to increase the speeds of all motor vehicles at any and all points on the highway where, in their opinion, higher speeds are warranted to promote the normal and reasonable movement of traffic, provided that such increased speed shall not exceed 60 miles per hour for pleasure vehicles, **except on the interstate system such increased speed shall not exceed 70 miles per hour for pleasure vehicles**, and 50 miles per hour for commercial vehicles registered for over 6,000 pounds or school buses, conveying children to and from school or a school event. **This section shall not apply to that portion of the interstate system which is part of the Maine Turnpike.**

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 72

AN ACT Relating to Speed of Motor Vehicles on Highways Under Construction.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 113-B, amended. The first paragraph of section 113-B of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 5 of chapter 317 of the public laws of 1957 and as amended by section 2 of chapter 423 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

~~'Notwithstanding~~ **Except as provided in section 113-D and notwithstanding** the provisions of section 113, subsection II, the State Highway Commission, the Secretary of State and the Chief of the State Police, acting jointly, shall have authority to restrict the speed of all motor vehicles at any and all points on the highway where in the opinion of the commission, the Secretary of State and the Chief of the State Police, acting jointly, a rate of speed less than that now authorized by law will minimize the danger of accident and in each such place shall fix the rate of speed in accordance with their own judgment. The State Highway Commission, the Secretary of State and the Chief of the State Police, acting jointly, shall also have authority to increase the speeds of all motor vehicles at any and all points on the highway where, in their opinion, higher speeds are warranted to promote the normal and reasonable movement of traffic, provided that such increased speed shall not exceed 60 miles per hour for pleasure vehicles and 50 miles per hour for commercial vehicles registered for over 6,000 pounds or school buses, conveying children to and from school or a school event.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 113-D, additional. Chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section to be numbered 113-D, as follows:

'Sec. 113-D. **Speed limitations on highway under construction. Notwithstanding** the provisions of section 113, subsection II and section 113-B, the State Highway Commission shall have authority to restrict the speed of all motor vehicles at any and all points on a highway under construction where in the opinion of the commission a rate of speed less than that now authorized by