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Chapter 161

AN ACT Relating to Duties of State Liquor Inspectors.

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

R. S., c. 61, § 8, sub-§ XVII, amended. Subsection XVII of section 8 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'XVII. To appoint, subject to the provisions of the Personnel Law, a chief inspector and as many inspectors as may from time to time be found necessary. The inspectors shall be under the direct supervision and control of the chief inspector. They shall have the same powers and duties throughout the several counties of the State as sheriffs have in their respective counties relating to liquor. Their power and duties shall include the duty to inquire into and arrest for violations of any of the provisions of this chapter, and to arrest for impersonation of or interference with liquor inspectors and to serve all processes necessary for and pertaining to enforcement of any of the provisions of this chapter.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 162

AN ACT Relating to Operation of Farm Trucks.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 19, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 19 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 383 of the public laws of 1955, and as amended by chapters 408 and 411 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'The annual fee for registration of farm motor trucks, having 2 axles only, when such trucks are used primarily for transportation of agricultural commodities, supplies or equipment to be used in connection with the operation of a farm or farms owned, operated or occupied by the registrant, shall be as follows:

From 9,001 pounds gross weight to 11,000 pounds gross weight \$21

From 14,001 pounds gross weight to 16,000 pounds gross weight \$43

The term "agricultural commodities" shall include logs, lumber and pulp wood cut on a farm or farms owned, operated or occupied by the registrant. Farm motor trucks registered under this section may receive a short-term permit in accordance with the provisions of this section by paying a percentage of the difference between the amount paid for farm motor truck registration and the annual fee for the desired tonnage in accordance with the permit table contained CHAP. 163

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in this section. Farm trucks so registered shall be operated on the public highways only within a radius of 65 miles from the main entrance of the farm where such vehicle is customarily kept. The Secretary of State shall issue a registration plate or plates so designed that a farm motor truck registered under this section may be distinguished from commercial vehicles otherwise registered under the provisions of this section. Farm trucks so registered shall have the name of the town in which the excise tax has been paid printed in letters not less than 4 inches in height on the door on the left side of the cab of the truck. Trucks which are used on a substantially daily delivery schedule on established routes are not included as "farm trucks." Any person fraudulently obtaining a farm truck license shall be fined upon conviction \$50. Any person using a truck with a license plate marked for any purposes other than those authorized by this section shall be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$500.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 163

AN ACT Concerning Exit Facilities in Buildings and Other Structures.

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

R. S., c. 97, § 48-A, additional. Chapter 97 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 48-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 48-A. Exits in buildings and other structures. The Insurance Commissioner shall adopt and may amend, after notice and public hearing, reasonable regulations governing exits in all buildings or other structures within his jurisdiction.

I. Building exits code followed. The regulations shall conform as nearly as practicable with the Building Exits Code as adopted and amended by the National Fire Protection Association.

II. Effective date. The regulations become effective when a certified copy of them have been approved in writing by the Governor and Council and filed with the Secretary of State.

III. Rights declared. Any person aggrieved by a regulation or by an act of the commissioner in enforcing it may have his rights declared by bringing a petition for declaratory judgment under chapter 107, sections 38 to 50, naming the commissioner as defendant.

IV. Violation. Any person who violates a regulation issued by the commissioner under this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both.'