

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

## Ninety-ninth Legislature

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# STATE OF MAINE

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thing in sections 1-A to 1-D be construed to impair the exercise of legislative jurisdiction by the United States of America over any area to which such jurisdiction has been validly ceded by this State and which remains in the ownership of the United States of America.

Sec. 1-D. Existing jurisdiction or ownership not waived. Nothing in sections 1-A to 1-D shall alter the geographic area to which any statute of this State applies if such statute specifies such area precisely in miles or by some other numerical designation of distance or position. However, nothing in any such statute or in sections 1-A to 1-D shall be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of jurisdiction or ownership by this State over or in any area to which such jurisdiction or ownership extends by virtue of sections 1-A to 1-D or any other provision or rule of law.'

Effective September 12, 1959

## Chapter 198

### AN ACT Relating to Penalty for Violation of Laws Regulating Operation of Motor Vehicles at Grade Crossings.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 152, amended. The last paragraph of section 152 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Whoever violates the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be punished as provided by section 149; ~~and in addition thereto his license to operate shall be suspended or revoked.~~

Effective September 12, 1959

## Chapter 199

### AN ACT Relating to Petition for Support of Wife or Minor Children.

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

R. S., c. 166, § 43, amended. The first sentence of section 43 of chapter 166 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Whenever a man, having a wife, a minor child or children, residing in this State and being of sufficient ability or being able to labor and provide for them, willfully and without reasonable cause, refuses or neglects to provide suitable maintenance for them, the Superior Court, the probate court and any municipal court, in term time, or any judge or justice of said courts in vacation, in the county where the wife or such minor child or children reside, on petition of the wife for herself and for such child or children, or of such child or children by their guardian or by the municipality that is providing suitable maintenance, after

such notice to the husband or father as it may order, and hearing, may order him to contribute to the support of his wife and such minor child or children or either of them such sums payable weekly, monthly or quarterly as are deemed reasonable and just, and may enforce obedience by appropriate decrees.'

Effective September 12, 1959

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## Chapter 200

### AN ACT Increasing Fees for Plumbing Permits.

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

R. S., c. 25, § 174, amended. The first sentence of section 174 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'The permit required by ~~the preceding~~ section 173 shall be issued on the payment of a fee of not less than 50c for each such permit but not more than ~~\$1~~ \$2 per fixture, up to a total of 5 fixtures; for over 5 fixtures not less than ~~100~~ 20c and not more than ~~300~~ 60c shall be charged for each additional fixture, as shall be determined by such ordinance or by-law; 1/3 of the amount of such fees shall be paid through the department to the Treasurer of State to be maintained as a permanent fund and used by the department for the carrying out of the provisions of sections 173 to 175.'

Effective September 12, 1959

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## Chapter 201

### AN ACT Relating to Fiduciary's Transactions by Check.

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

R. S., c. 59, § 199, repealed and replaced. Section 199 of chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 199. Fiduciary's transactions by check, personal and as fiduciary. If a check drawn or endorsed by a fiduciary is received by a drawee bank or other bank, including a check for payment in cash or for the personal credit of such fiduciary, such bank may assume, without inquiry, that the fiduciary has acted within the scope of his authority.

I. Fiduciary includes a trustee under any trust, express, implied, resulting or constructive, executor, administrator, guardian, conservator, receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, assignee for the benefit of creditors, partner, agent, officer of a corporation, public or private, public officer or any other person acting in a fiduciary capacity for any person, trust or estate.

II. Person includes a corporation, partnership or other association, and 2 or more persons having a common interest.