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Chapter 188

AN ACT Relating to Contracts of Minors in Furthering Their Higher Education.

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

R. S., c. 119, § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 119 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 435 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph, as follows:

'Provided that any minor 16 years of age or over, who for the purpose of furthering his higher education in the professional, educational, scientific or literary fields, shall have full legal capacity to act in his own behalf in the matter of making notes, contracts and other transactions, and with respect to such acts done, shall have rights, powers and privileges and be subject to the obligations of persons of full age.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 189

AN ACT Prohibiting the Taking of Certain Land Products.

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

R. S., c. 131, § 41, amended. Section 41 of chapter 131 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 198 of the public laws of 1955, is further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 41. Trespass on timber or wood standing, etc. Whoever, except a road commissioner acting within the scope of his lawful authority, willfully commits any trespass by cutting, destroying or carrying away timber or wood on the land of another; by digging up, taking and carrying away therefrom earth, sand, stone, grass, corn, grain, fruit, hay or other vegetables, or by carrying away from any wharf or landing place goods in which he has no interest, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 and by imprisonment for not more than 2 months.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 190

AN ACT Relating to Operation of Diesel or Diesel-Electric Locomotives in Reverse.

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

R. S., c. 46, § 98-A, amended. Section 98-A of chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 324 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 98-A. Operation of diesel or diesel-electric locomotives in reverse or backing up position prohibited. No railroad corporation operating diesel or diesel-electric locomotives in the State shall be permitted to operate such locomotives in reverse or backing up position on any passenger or freight train on any main line or branch line, except that such locomotives may be operated in reverse in emergencies ~~or~~, while doing switching operations, ~~while operating in turn-around service, and excepting~~ except where no facilities are available for turning such locomotives at the point of departure. Any railroad corporation violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of \$100 for each violation.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 191

AN ACT Relating to Insurance Coverage on Motor Vehicles for Hire.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 17, amended. Section 17 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read as follows:

'The Secretary of State shall not approve the policy or bond unless it provides primary coverage for the operator as well as the owner.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 192

AN ACT Relating to Municipal Traffic Control Ordinances.

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

R. S., c. 90-A, § 3, sub-§ III, ¶ C, additional. Subsection III of section 3 of chapter 90-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 405 of the public laws of 1957 and as amended by section 2 of chapter 337 of the public laws of 1959, is further amended by adding a new paragraph C, to read as follows:

'C. The municipal officers of towns may enact all ordinances authorized by this subsection. Seven days' notice of the meeting at which said ordinances are to be proposed shall be given in the manner provided for town meetings, and such ordinances shall be effective immediately. A village corporation shall have the same powers and duties as a municipality under this section.'

Effective September 16, 1961