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'Sec. 14-A. School bus shelters. School bus shelters for school children, when approved by the superintending school committee of the town in which they are located may, notwithstanding the 50 feet from the nearer line of the traveled way provision of chapter 23, section 142, be placed or maintained outside the right-of-way and at least 33 feet from the center line of any highway and carry not more than 2 panels on the sides thereof for the identification of sponsors. No such panel shall exceed 32 square feet or extend beyond the sides of such shelter and at least 60% of its area must be devoted to public service, safety or other noncommercial use. Each such shelter shall, to the satisfaction of the superintending school committee, be constructed of steel or other durable material, with concrete floor raised above ground level, kept clean, well painted or otherwise suitably maintained at all times and kept free from snow, or the committee may order its removal.'

Effective September 16, 1961

## Chapter 253

#### AN ACT Relating to Control of Missiles and Rockets.

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

**R. S., c. 24-A, additional.** The Revised Statutes are amended by adding a new chapter 24-A, to read as follows:

### 'Chapter 24-A.

### Control of Missiles and Rockets.

Sec. r. Definitions. Each word or term defined in this section has the meaning indicated in this section for the purposes of this chapter, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context:

I. Airport. "Airport" means any area of land or water which is used, or intended for use, for the landing and take-off of aircraft, any appurtenant areas which are used or intended for use, for airport buildings, other airport facilities, rights of way, together with all airport buildings, wharfs and facilities thereon.

II. Commission. "Commission" means the Maine Aeronautics Commission.

III. Explosive or propellant. "Explosive" or "propellant" means any solid, liquid or gaseous substance capable of any chemical reaction releasing energy or pressure.

IV. Missile or rocket. "Missile" or "rocket" means any projectile capable of hurling or projecting itself off the ground and into the air by means of the thrust produced by the expulsion of gases produced by the internal combustion of flammable or explosive materials.

V. Operational range. "Operational range" means any area of land and air space on, over and in which any missile, rocket or similar device is to be launched and operated.

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VI. Person. "Person" means any individual, firm, copartnership, corporation, company, association, joint stock association or body politic, and includes any trustee, receiver, assignee or other similar representative thereof.

VII. Ramp. "Ramp" means any structure, platform, base or device to be used for the positioning, location or aiming of any missile, rocket or similar device to be launched, fired or otherwise projected into the air above the ground.

VIII. Site or launching site. "Site" or "launching site" means any place in this State to be used for the launching or operation of a missile, rocket or similar device.

IX. State or this State. "State" or "this State" means the State of Maine.

Sec. 2. Approval of ramp. Any person who intends to launch, fire or operate any missile, rocket or similar device in this State using any explosive, fire, heat or other propellant whatsoever shall, prior to such launching or operation of such missile, rocket or similar device, make application to the commission for approval of the ramp, launching site or sites and operational range to be used for the launching or operation of any such missile, rocket or similar device.

Sec. 3. Approval to fire. Any person who intends to arm, load, fire or to launch or operate any missile, rocket or similar device using any explosive, fire, heat, chemical or other propellant whatsoever shall make application to the commission for approval to arm, load, fire or to launch or operate any such missile, rocket or similar device, prior thereto and no person shall launch or operate any such missile, rocket or device unless or until the commission has approved such application.

Sec. 4. Form of application. Application for approval of any ramp, launching site or sites and approval of the launching, operation and the operational range pursuant to sections 2 and 3 shall be made upon such forms as may be provided by the commission from time to time.

Sec. 5. Protection of public. The commission, prior to approval or disapproval of any application submitted in accordance with section 4 shall give due consideration to and require the reasonable protection of the public and general safety of aeronautics in this State.

Sec. 6. Exemptions. This chapter shall not apply to any appropriately authorized fireworks display conducted by professional or otherwise appropriately qualified persons or personnel and approved by the Insurance Commissioner nor shall this chapter apply to the launching or operation of any missile, rocket or similar device by the United States Government, or its appropriately authorized designee. The exemptions authorized do not include contractors or subcontractors of the United States Government.

Sec. 7. Toys or amusement devices. This chapter shall not apply to any missile, rocket or similar device commercially manufactured for retail sale as a toy, recreational or amusement device, provided that such toy, recreational or amusement device be incapable of operating at an altitude in excess of 300 feet above the ground and provided that any such missile, rocket or similar device exempted under this chapter shall not be operated within 3 miles of the boundary of any public use airport. CHAP. 254

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Sec. 8. Rules and regulations. The commission may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations and issue orders in the manner prescribed under chapter 24 as necessary in order for it to carry out this chapter.

Sec. 9. Penalty. Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$250 or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or by both.'

Effective September 16, 1961

## Chapter 254

AN ACT Revising the Laws Relating to Veterinarians.

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

Sec. I. R. S., c. 77-A, additional. The Revised Statutes are amended by adding a new chapter 77-A, to read as follows:

### 'Chapter 77-A.

### Registration of Veterinarians.

Sec. 1. Board of Veterinary Examiners; appointment; vacancies; compensation; expenses; removals. The Board of Veterinary Examiners, as heretofore established and hereinafter in this chapter called the "board," shall consist of 3 members who shall be veterinarians, appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council. Said persons shall be residents in the State, graduates of a legally chartered veterinary college or university having authority to confer degrees in veterinary medicine and shall have been actively engaged in the practice of their profession for a period of at least 5 years. One member shall be appointed annually, as the terms of the present members expire, and hold office for 3 years. Any vacancy in said board shall be filled by the appointment, within 30 days after such vacancy occurs, of a person qualified as aforesaid to hold office during the unexpired term of the member whose place he fills. Any member of said board may be removed from office for cause, by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council.

The members of the board shall each receive as compensation for their services \$20 a day or any part thereof spent and their necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties, to be certified by the secretary of the board.

Sec. 2. Organization and officers; oaths and testimony; treasurer; expenses; annual report. The board shall organize annually in the month of July by the election from its members of a president, and a secretary who shall be treasurer, and may adopt such rules, not in conflict with the laws of the State, as they may deem proper to carry into effect this chapter. They shall adopt a seal which shall be affixed to all certificates issued by them in accordance with section 5. The treasurer shall receive all fees, charges and assessments payable to the board and account for and pay over the same according to law and shall annually, on the first day of July, make written report to the Governor and Council for all receipts and expenditures of said board.