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Chapter 335

AN ACT to Clarify State Boating Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 36-A, § 4, sub-§ I, amended. The 2nd sentence of subsection I of section 4 of chapter 36-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 349 of the public laws of 1959 and repealed and replaced by section 3 of chapter 374 of the public laws of 1959, is amended to read as follows:

'The application shall be signed by the owner of the motorboat and shall be accompanied by a fee of $\frac{1}{2}$ \$5.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 36-A, § 4, sub-§ IV, amended. The first sentence of subsection IV of section 4 of chapter 36-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 349 of the public laws of 1959 and amended by section 4 of chapter 374 of the public laws of 1959, is further amended to read as follows:

'Whoever transfers the ownership or discontinues the use of a numbered motorboat or vessel and applies to the commissioner for numbering of another motorboat or vessel within the license period shall be entitled to a certificate of number permitting the use of the number assigned to the former motor boat or vessel upon payment of a transfer fee of \$1.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 36-A, § 4, sub-§ VII, amended. Subsection VII of section 4 of chapter 36-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 349 of the public laws of 1959, is amended to read as follows:

'VII. Expiration. Every certificate of number **previously issued** shall expire on midnight of **December 31, 1962, and thereafter on** December 31st of the 3rd year of the 3-year period for which it was issued;'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 36-A, § 4, sub-§ X, amended. The last sentence of subsection X of section 4 of chapter 36-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 349 of the public laws of 1959, is repealed as follows:

'The commissioner of Inland Fisherics and Game shall furnish the applicant with 4 sets of identification plates at \$2 per set.'

Sec. 5. R. S., c. 36-A, § 6, sub-§ VII, repealed. Subsection VII of section 6 of chapter 36-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 349 of the public laws of 1959, is repealed.

Sec. 6. R. S., c. 36-A, § 7, repealed and replaced. Section 7 of chapter 36-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 349 of the public laws of 1959, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 7. Motorboats for hire. The owner of every motorboat maintained for hire upon any inland body of water to which the public has access, including all vessels propelled by outboard motor but excluding vessels under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission as set forth in chapter 49, before renting or offering for hire such vessel, shall apply to and obtain from the commissioner a certificate authorizing its use for such purpose. The owners of all motorboats

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required to be registered under this section shall further comply with all the provisions contained in sections 3 and 4, regardless of the fact that the vessel in question is propelled by machinery of less than 10 horsepower.

Every operator of a motorboat propelled by outboard motor and carrying passengers for hire shall be examined by the commissioner, through the warden service as to his qualifications, and if satisfied therewith, the commissioner shall grant him a license for such operation, which license shall expire on the last day of the calendar year in which it is issued unless sooner revoked by the commissioner for intemperance, incompetency or willful violation of duty. The commissioner may grant a renewal of such license upon written application and without further examination. Said license shall be in the possession of the operator at all times when he is carrying passengers for hire in such motorboat.'

Sec. 7. R. S., c. 36-A, § 10, sub-§ II, amended. Subsection II of section 10 of chapter 36-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 349 of the public laws of 1959, is amended to read as follows:

'II. Reports. In the case of collision, accident or other casualty involving a vessel **numbered under this chapter**, the operator thereof, if the collision, accident or other casualty results in death or injury to a person or damage to property in excess of \$100, shall file with the commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game a full description of the collision, accident or other casualty, including such information as the commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game may, by regulation, require. Such report shall not be referred to in any way and shall not be evidence in any judicial proceeding.'

Sec. 8. R. S., c. 36-A, § 15, amended. Section 15 of chapter 36-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 349 of the public laws of 1959, is amended by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

'The commissioner may establish safety zones for the purpose of limiting use and boat speeds and make reasonable rules and regulations necessary for the proper administration of this chapter.'

Sec. 9. R. S., c. 37, § 66, repealed. Section 66 of chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes, as revised, is repealed.

Sec. 10. Effective date. This act shall become effective January 1, 1963.

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Chapter 336

AN ACT Relating to Work on Shade and Ornamental Trees.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 36, § 66, repealed and replaced. Section 66 of chapter 36 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 169 of the public laws of 1957, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 66. Qualification to work on trees. No person shall remove shade, roadside or ornamental trees, or improve the condition of such trees by pruning,