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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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2 or more axles less than 8 feet apart shall be operated, or caused to be operated, with more than 18,000 pounds imparted to the road surface from either axle or 32,000 pounds from both axles; provided further, that no vehicle shall be so operated, or caused to be operated, when the load imparted to the road surface is greater than 600 pounds per inch width tire, manufacturer's rating; except ~~however~~ that 3-axle trucks with brakes on the wheels of all axles hauling forest products may be operated for a gross weight of 48,000 pounds with a distance between the extreme axles of not less than 18 feet, and except further that 3-axle trucks with 2 rear axles driven and with brakes on wheels of all axles, hauling forest products may be operated upon the payment of an additional license fee of \$75 during the months of December, January and February at 15% in excess of the maximum gross weight permitted and that tractor-trailer combinations hauling forest products may be operated upon the payment of an additional license fee of \$75 during the months of December, January and February at 15% in excess of the maximum gross and axle weights permitted, not, however, permitting, validating or in any way applying to the use of the Interstate System as defined in the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956 by vehicles with weights carried on any one axle, tandem axle weights or overall gross weight or with width in excess of the applicable maximum weights or maximum widths permitted by the provisions of section 108 (j) of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956 and except ~~further~~ that 3-axle trucks with brakes on the wheels of all axles hauling construction materials may be operated for a gross weight of 48,000 pounds with a distance between the extreme axles of not less than 16 feet and except that in special cases, special permits for the transportation of individual shipments in loads of greater gross weights may be granted by the State Highway Commission or such appropriate commission or official as is duly authorized elsewhere in this chapter. All trucks with 4 or more axles shall have adequate brakes on the wheels of all axles.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 354

AN ACT Relating to the Inspection of County Jails.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 27, § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. General powers. The department shall have authority to perform such acts, relating to the care, custody, treatment, relief and improvement of the inmates of the institutions under its control, as are not contrary to law; and to inspect and investigate all jails at least once each year, classify all convicts therein having regard to age, character and offenses, and to order county commissioners to make such alterations in their several jails as may be deemed necessary to classify the persons detained therein, and to require the jailers to keep such records as will facilitate the purposes of this section.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 27, § 2-A, additional. Chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 2-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 2-A. Inspection of county jails; standards; transfer of prisoners. The department may make frequent inspections of all county jails and shall inspect all county jails at least twice in each year and report annually, before December 1st, to the Governor and Executive Council in respect to the conditions of said jails.

The department, in cooperation with the several county commissioners, shall establish mutually agreed upon standards for each county jail in particular and for all county jails generally. Such standards shall approximate, insofar as possible, those established by the Inspector of Jails, Federal Bureau of Prisons.

The department, upon request of the sending sheriff and approval of the county commissioners, may transfer any prisoner serving a sentence in his jail to any other county jail to serve the balance of his sentence, or any part thereof, upon the approval of the sheriff and county commissioners of the receiving county. Cost of transfer or return of such prisoner is to be paid by the sending county; the amount to be paid for the support of the prisoner in the receiving county shall be at a rate agreed upon by the county commissioner party to the transfer, and shall be paid by the sending county.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 355

AN ACT Relating to Mandatory Fines on Axle Weights of Commercial Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 111, amended. The first paragraph of section 111 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 334 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'Any person who violates any provision of section 109 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor on account of each such violation, and for each violation of which convicted shall be punished by a fine and, except before trial justice and municipal courts, costs of court which fine and costs of court shall not be suspended if they relate to gross weight but may be suspended if they relate to axle weight.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 356

AN ACT Increasing Renewal Fee of Certificate of Registration for Barbers and Operators of Hairdressing and Beauty Culture.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 25, § 225, amended. The last sentence of the first paragraph of section 225 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows: