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SAFETY SEAT BELTS

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'Subject to the provisions of this section and subject to such reasonable regulations as the superintending school committee or school directors shall from time to time prescribe, every person between the ages of 5 and 21 shall have the right to attend as a full-time student, or with the consent of the superintending school committee or board of directors, as a part-time student, the public schools in the administrative unit in which his parent or guardian has residence.'

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, § 859, amended. The 4th paragraph of section 859 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read as follows:

'Nothing in this section shall negate the provisions of the compulsory education prescribed in section grr.'

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 20, § 3721, amended. The last paragraph of section 3721 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end, a new sentence, as follows:

'Pupils attending school on a part-time basis shall be counted as .2 of a pupil for each class period which they attend.'

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 20, § 3722, amended. The 3rd paragraph of section 3722 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end, a new sentence, as follows:

'Pupils attending school on a part-time basis shall be counted as .2 of a pupil for each class period which they attend.'

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 20, § 3723, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 3723 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding after the 2nd sentence, a new sentence, as follows:

'Pupils attending school on a part-time basis shall be counted as .2 of a pupil for each class period which they attend.'

Effective September 3, 1965

Chapter 202

AN ACT Providing for Safety Seat Belts for Motor Vehicles.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, § 1, sub-§ 1-A, additional. Section 1 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new subsection 1-A, to read as follows:

'I-A. Automobile. "Automobile" shall mean a motor vehicle designed for the conveyance of passengers with a seating capacity of less than 8 persons.'

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, § 1368-A, additional. Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 1368-A, to read as follows:

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'§ 1368-A. Safety seat belts

It is unlawful for any person to buy, sell, lease, trade or transfer from or to Maine residents at retail an automobile, which is manufactured or assembled commencing with the 1966 models, unless such vehicle is equipped with safety seat belts installed for use in the left front and right front seats thereof.

In any accident involving an automobile, the nonuse of seat belts by the driver of or passengers in the automobile shall not be admissible in evidence in any trial, civil or criminal, arising out of such accident.'

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 29, § 2122, amended. The first sentence of section 2122 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'The Chief of the State Police shall require twice each year that every vehicle registered in this State be inspected at an official inspection station, duly appointed and certified as such by the Chief of the State Police, to determine the proper adjustment and sufficiency of the following required equipment: Brakes, lights, safety seat belts on 1966 and subsequent models, running gear, wheels, tires, horns, glazing, mechanical windshield wipers, rear view mirrors, reflectors, exhaust system and body components.'

Effective September 3, 1965

Chapter 203

AN ACT Authorizing Municipalities to Establish Park and Conservation Commissions.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 3801, amended. Section 3801 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'§ 3801. Devises and gifts for open areas, public park and playgrounds

Any town municipality, as such, may receive, hold and manage devises, bequests or gifts for the establishment, increase or maintenance of public parks and playgrounds and open areas, including marsh lands, swamps and other wet lands, in such town municipality, and may accept by vote of the legal voters legislative body thereof any land in such town municipality to be used as a public park or playground or both combined, or maintained as an open area and as marsh land, swamp or wet land, as defined in section $_{3851}$. When any plantation is incorporated into a town, such gifts and the proceeds thereof fully vest in such town.'

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, § 3851, amended. Section 3851 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'§ 3851. Park and conservation commissions

Cities and towns Municipalities may establish park and conservation commissions and choose by ballot $\frac{2}{3}$ 5 park and conservation commissioners, to hold