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- Safety equipment.
- A. All motorboats while in operation on the waters of the State shall comply with the same requirements pertaining to lights, life saving devices, fire extinguishers and other safety equipment as required by federal laws and regulations on federal navigable waters, except that motorboats driven by machinery of 10 horsepower or less and in operation on the inland waters between the hours of sunset and sunrise must display at least a single illuminated white light, capable of showing all around the horizon, so as to make its presence known to all other watercraft in every direction which are within a reasonable distance, provided further that nothing herein shall prohibit the display of lights as required by federal laws in lieu of the single white light. The bureau may prescribe additional equipment not in conflict with Federal Navigation Laws.
- B. All other watercraft, except canoes, while in operation on the waters of this State shall carry at least one U.S. Coast Guard approved life saving device labelled as such for each person aboard. Such devices shall be maintained in good and serviceable condition and be readily accessible at all times.
- C. Operator means the person who operates or who has charge of the navigation, use or operation of a watercraft.
- D. The operator shall be responsible to see that watercraft are equipped as specified in this section before operating said watercraft on the waters of this State.
- Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall become effective January 1, 1970.

Effective January 1, 1970

Chapter 244

AN ACT Requiring Immunization of Dogs Against Rabies.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 7, § 3451, amended. The first paragraph of section 3451 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 193 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended by adding at the end, a new sentence, as follows:

No city or town clerk shall issue a license for any dog until the applicant has filed with such clerk proof that such dog has been immunized against rabies in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Commissioner of Health and Welfare, provided that the requirement of immunization may be waived by such clerk under conditions set forth by the Commissioner of Health and Welfare.

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Sec. 2. R. S., T. 22, § 1312, repealed. Section 1312 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 121 of the public laws of 1967, is repealed, as follows:

§ 1312. Immunization of dogs

When in the judgment of the commissioner it appears necessary to do so for the control of rabies in the State, the commissioner may order rabies immunization of dogs as a prerequisite for licensing of said dogs, either state wide or in limited areas, and may promulgate the necessary rules and regulations therefor.

Effective October 1, 1969

Chapter 245

AN ACT Pertaining to Live Smelt Bait Dealers.

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

R. S., T. 12, § 2558-A, additional. Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 2558-A, to read as follows:

§ 2558-A. Live smelts for bait; dealers licensed

All persons dealing in live smelts for resale as bait shall be licensed to do so by the commissioner. The fee for such live smelt bait dealer's license shall be \$50 for each calendar year. Persons having a live smelt bait dealer's license under this section may take, from waters designated by the commissioner, smelts for resale. Said smelts may be taken at any time with a dip net, drop net or hook and line. The daily limit for dealers licensed under this section shall be 8 quarts and they may possess more than 8 quarts provided the taking was legal.

Effective October 1, 1969

Chapter 246

AN ACT Defining the Term Just Value for Purposes of Property Assessment.

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

R. S., T. 36, § 701-A, additional. Title 36 of the Revised Statutes is