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Chapter 53

AN ACT Relating to Contempts Before the Industrial Accident Commission.

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

R. S., T. 39, § 93, sub-§ 4, additional. Section 93 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 386 of the public laws of 1969, is further amended by adding a new subsection 4 to read as follows:

4. Contempts before Industrial Accident Commission. A person shall not, in proceedings before the Industrial Accident Commission or a single commissioner: Disobey or resist any lawful order, process or writ; misbehave during a hearing or so near the place thereof as to obstruct the same; neglect to produce, after having been ordered to do so, any pertinent document; or refuse to appear after having been subpoenaed or, upon appearing, refuse to be examined according to law.

If any person shall do any of the things forbidden in this subsection the commission or commissioner shall forthwith certify the facts to a Superior Court Justice in the county where the alleged offense occurred and he may serve or cause to be served upon such person an order requiring such person to appear before such Superior Court Justice upon a day certain to show cause why he should not be adjudged in contempt by reason of the facts so certified. The justice shall thereupon, in a summary manner, hear the evidence as to the acts complained of and, if it is such as to warrant him in so doing, punish such person in the same manner and to the same extent as for a contempt committed before him, or commit such person upon the same conditions as if the doing of the forbidden act had occurred with reference to the process of the Superior Court or in the presence of the justice.

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Chapter 54

AN ACT Relating to Waiver of Certification of Certain Water Utilities.

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

R. S., T. 22, § 2450, amended. Section 2450 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 209 of the public laws of 1969, is amended by inserting after the 2nd sentence the following new sentence to read as follows:

The commissioner may further grant a waiver for a period not exceeding one year to a water utility serving not more than 500 services in the event that the certification requirements cannot be met.