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passenger is in transit and whose point either of origin or destination is a foreign country.

Any license granted under this section shall not be subject to section 4, nor shall it be subject to the food requirements contained in section 2, subsection 18.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective April 15, 1971

Chapter 183

AN ACT Relating to the Reporting of Traffic Accidents.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, § 783, sub-§ 1, amended. The first sentence of subsection 1 of section 783 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Where an accident has resulted in bodily injury to or death of any person, or in property damage to an apparent extent of ~~\$100~~ \$200 or more, the accident report required by section 891 shall contain, in a form prescribed by the Secretary of State information to enable the Secretary of State to determine whether the requirements for the deposit of security and proof of financial responsibility are inapplicable by reason of the existence of insurance or other exceptions specified in this section.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, § 783, sub-§ 2, ¶ A, amended. The first paragraph of paragraph A of subsection 2 of section 783 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Upon receipt by him of the report of an accident, which has resulted in death, bodily injury or property damage to an apparent extent of ~~\$100~~ \$200 or more, the Secretary of State shall, 30 days following the date of request for compliance with the 2 following requirements, suspend the license or the right to obtain a license, or revoke the right to operate of any person operating, and the registration certificates and registration plates of any person owning a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer in any manner involved in such accident, or the right to register the same unless such operator or owner or both:

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 29, § 891, amended. The first sentence of the 3rd paragraph of section 891 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 311 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injuries to or death of any person or property damage to the ~~estimated~~ **apparent** amount of ~~\$100~~ \$200 or more; or some person acting for him, or the owner of said vehicle

having knowledge of the accident should the operator of same be unknown, shall, immediately by the quickest means of communication, give notice of the accident either to a state police officer, or to the nearest state police field office, or to the sheriff's office within the county wherein the accident occurred, or to the office of the police department of the municipality wherein the accident occurred.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 29, § 891, amended. The first sentence of the 6th paragraph of section 891 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury to or death of any person or property damage to the ~~estimated~~ **apparent** amount of ~~\$100~~ \$200 or more, or some person acting for him, shall, within 48 hours after the accident, make a written report of it to the Chief of the State Police.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 184

AN ACT Providing for Immunity to Licensed Ambulance Service Personnel in Emergency Cases.

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

R. S., T. 32, § 65, additional. Title 32 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

§ 65. Immunity to licensed ambulance service personnel

Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of any general, special or local law, any person who is licensed for ambulance service in the State of Maine and who voluntarily without the expectation of monetary compensation from the person aided or treated renders first aid, initial emergency medical procedure or emergency treatment to a person who is unconscious, ill or injured shall not be liable for damages for injuries alleged to have been sustained by such person or for damages for the death of such person alleged to have occurred by reason of an act or omission in the rendering of such first aid, initial emergency medical aid procedure or emergency treatment unless it is established that such injuries were or such death was caused willfully, wantonly or by gross negligence on the part of such person. This section shall not exempt such a licensed person from negligence while operating a motor vehicle.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 185

AN ACT to Set the Rate for Voting Lists Based upon the Cost of Preparing the Lists.

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

R. S., T. 21, § 175, amended. Section 175 of Title 21 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows: