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Chapter 300

AN ACT Relating to Hunting from Vehicles, Aircraft, Boats and Snowmobiles.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 2456, repealed and replaced. Section 2456 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 19 of chapter 448 of the public laws of 1965 and by chapter 36 of the public laws of 1967, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 2456. Hunting from vehicles, aircraft, boats and snowmobiles

It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt or molest any wild bird or wild animal at any time from or with any motor vehicle, trailer, aircraft, motorboat or snowmobile, or by aid or use of any light or lights carried thereon, therein or attached thereto, except that migratory waterfowl may be hunted from a motorboat in accordance with federal regulations and except that shags and seals may be hunted from a motorboat. It shall be unlawful for any person to have in possession, at any time, any wild bird or wild animal, or part thereof, taken in violation of this section. It shall be unlawful for any person, excepting a law enforcement officer while in the line of duty, to have in or on a motor vehicle or trailer any rifle or shotgun with a cartridge or shell in the chamber, magazine, clip or cylinder. No person, except a law enforcement officer in the line of duty or person having a valid permit to carry a concealed weapon, may have in or on any motor vehicle or trailer any loaded pistol or revolver. For the purpose of this section all motor-driven vehicles except a motorboat shall be considered to be a motor vehicle.

Notwithstanding this section, paraplegics or double amputees of the legs may hunt from motor vehicles which are not in motion.

Any person convicted of violating any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 2463, repealed. Section 2463 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 27 of chapter 404 of the public laws of 1967 and by section 48 of chapter 425 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 301

AN ACT Relating to Search by Coastal Wardens.

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

R. S., T. 12, § 4551, sub-§ 1, repealed and replaced. Subsection 1 of section 4551 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 8 of chapter 431 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

1. Authority of coastal wardens. Any coastal warden, in uniform, may search without a warrant and examine any watercraft, aircraft, conveyance, vehicle, box, bag, locker, traps, crate or other receptacle or container for shellfish, finfish or any marine life, when he has probable cause to believe that shellfish, finfish or any marine life taken contrary to law is concealed thereon or therein.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 302

AN ACT Relating to Definition of Construction under Board of Construction Safety Rules and Regulations.

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

R. S., T. 26, § 371, sub-§ 4, amended. The 2nd sentence of subsection 4 of section 371 of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes is repealed as follows:

The term "construction" shall apply to persons and corporations engaged for hire, or by virtue of a contract.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 303

AN ACT Creating the Maine Health Facilities Authority.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 22, c. 413, additional. Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new chapter 413, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 413

HEALTH FACILITIES AUTHORITY

§ 2051. Title

This chapter shall be known as, and may be cited as, the "Maine Health Facilities Authority Act."

§ 2052. Declaration of necessity

It is declared that for the benefit of the people of the State, the increase of their commerce, welfare and prosperity and the improvement of their health and living conditions it is essential that hospitals within the State be provided with appropriate additional means to expand, enlarge and establish health care, hospital and other related facilities; and that it is the purpose