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Sec. 2. R. S., T. 39, § 21, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 21 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 411 and section 2 of chapter 489 both of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

Any private employer other than those engaged in woods operations and who employ 3 or less employees regularly in the same business who has elected not to be an assenting employer by not securing the payment of compensation under sections 21 to 27 shall, in a civil action brought by the employee other than one engaged in domestic service or in agriculture as a seasonal or casual farm laborer to recover for personal injuries or death sustained after such election by the employer, arising out of and in the course of his employment, not be entitled to the defenses set forth in section 3.

Effective September 23, 1971

#### Chapter 460

#### AN ACT Relating to Public Intoxication.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 17, § 2001, amended. The first sentence of section 2001 of Title 17 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Whoever is found intoxicated in any street, highway or other public place, or is found intoxicated in a motor vehicle while said motor vehicle is in any street, highway or other public place, shall be punished for the first offense by a fine of not more than \$20 or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or by both, and upon any subsequent conviction by a fine of not more than \$60 or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both except that in any county where a county farm for the reformation of incbriates has been established, any male person who has been previously convicted of intoxication may be sentenced to such farm for a period of not less than 90 days nor more than 11 months.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 17, § 2001, amended. Section 2001 of Title 17 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

Within 18 hours after an accused is taken into custody, if it appears to the arresting officer that the accused is not a danger to himself or others, with the written consent of the accused, the accused may be released from custody and no complaint shall issue. After such release the arresting officer or the officer in charge may, with the written consent of the accused, make such arrangements to transport the accused to his home or some other suitable place as may be reasonable under the circumstances.