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The Secretary of State may furnish counties, municipalities, school districts and water districts with semipermanent plates for each vehicle, which plate shall expire at the end of each 6-year semipermanent plate program. Such plate or plates shall be of a design determined by the Secretary of State.

Sec. 6. R. S., T. 29, § 783, sub-§ 2, ¶ A, sub-¶ (2), amended. The 3rd sentence of subparagraph (2) of subsection 2 of paragraph A of section 783 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by chapter 201 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

The security and proof requirements may be waived after θ 3 years from the date of the accident, provided the Secretary of State has not received subsequent record of conviction, accident involvement, unsatisfied judgment or other evidence that would require the continuance of such security and financial responsibility requirements.

- Sec. 7. R. S., T. 29, § 783, sub-§ 2, ¶ E, additional. Subsection 2 of section 783 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new paragraph E to read as follows:
 - E. Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Secretary of State in applying the requirements of this subchapter may within 10 days after receipt of the requirement notify the Secretary of State in writing his desire for a hearing. Pending said hearing the requirement of this subchapter shall not be invoked.
- Sec. 8. R. S., T. 29, § 831, amended. The first sentence of section 831 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The Secretary of State shall not register any motor vehicle rented or leased on plans commonly known as U-Drive, Drive Yourself or Driverless Car plans nor any motor vehicle used for livery or hire, except as provided in Title 35, section 1510, or as a school bus, and no person, firm or corporation shall operate or cause to be operated upon any public highway in this State any such motor vehicle, until the owner or owners thereof shall have procured insurance or a bond, having a surety company authorized to transact business in this State or 2 individuals as sureties thereon, in the amount of \$10,000 \$20,000 because of bodily injury or death to any one person, and subject to said limit respecting one person, in the amount of \$20,000 \$40,000 because of bodily injury to or death to 2 or more persons in any one accident, and in the amount of \$5,000 \$10,000 because of injury to and destruction of property in any one accident, which insurance or bond shall be approved by the Secretary of State and shall indemnify the insured against any legal liability for personal injury, the death of any person or property damage, which injury, death or damage may result from or have been caused by the operation of the motor vehicle described in the contract of insurance or such bond.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 470

AN ACT Revising the Pauper Laws.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 22, §§ 4497 - 4501, additional. Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 5 new sections, 4497 to 4501, to read as follows:

§ 4497. Municipalities shall relieve persons present therein, when on account of poverty, they need relief

Overseers of poor or some person or persons designated by them to act in their behalf shall have the care of all persons dependent upon the municipality for their support present in their municipality and shall cause them to be relieved at the expense of the municipality. Overseers of the poor and other officers having charge of the administration of welfare funds shall keep full and accurate records of the names of indigent persons so relieved or supported, together with the amounts paid by them for such support and relief, and shall make annual returns of the number of such persons supported and relieved, with the costs, to the Department of Health and Welfare.

§ 4498. —unincorporated places

When such organized municipality grants assistance to persons from an unincorporated or unorganized township, the municipality shall be reimbursed 100% for welfare costs to such individuals. In addition, the Department of Health and Welfare may appoint agents within the unorganized townships to administer the program.

§ 4499. Costs; limit

When a municipality incurs net costs for furnishing such general relief in any fiscal year in excess of .0006 of that municipality's state valuation as determined by the State Tax Assessor in the statement filed by him as provided in Title 36, section 381, the Department of Health and Welfare shall reimburse the municipality for 90% of the amount in excess of such expenditures which the department considers to be reasonable and appropriate. For the purposes of this section, the municipal officers shall submit to the Department of Health and Welfare a monthly return under oath on forms provided by the department stating the amount of net costs for furnishing general relief beginning at the end of the month in which the municipality's general relief expenditures exceed the ceiling formula stated in this section.

§ 4500. Claims for reimbursement

The Department of Health and Welfare may refuse to accept and pay any claim for reimbursement which is not submitted by a municipality to said department within 90 days of the payment upon which said claim is based.

§ 4501. Recovery of expense

A municipality or the State which has incurred expense for the support of an indigent person may recover the full amount expended for such support either from the person so relieved or from any person liable for his support, their executors or administrators, in a civil action.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 22, §§ 4451-4460, 4462, 4464, 4468-4473, 4475-4482, 4484-4487, 4490, 4493-4495, repealed. Sections 4451 to 4460, 4462, 4464, 4468 to 4473, 4475 to 4482, 4484 to 4487, 4490 and 4493 to 4495, as amended, are repealed.