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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE
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PUBLIC LAWS
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Any person who operates or causes to be operated upon or over any bridge, posted in accordance with this section, a vehicle or combination of vehicles with a gross weight in excess of the posted limits shall be fined at the rates provided in section 1654.

Sec. 9. Study. The Joint Standing Committee on Transportation of the 106th Legislature is hereby directed to study motor truck transportation in the State of Maine and report its findings to the regular session of the 107th Legislature convening after January 1, 1975.

Said committee shall conduct a study to include, but not limited to, the role of the motor truck industry in the economy of the State of Maine and in other states, including, but not limited to, allowable types of vehicles, vehicle lengths and widths, allowable axle and gross weights and highway user taxes and fees paid for the use of public highways.

Effective June 28, 1974

CHAPTER 797

AN ACT Relating to Income from the Public Reserved Lands.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 4163, sub-§ 1, amended. Subsection 1 of section 4163 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 15 of chapter 628 and as amended by section 20 of chapter 460, both of the public laws of 1973, is further amended to read as follows:

1. Income. All income received by the Commissioner of the Department of Conservation from the public reserved lands, **except income provided for in section 4166**, shall be deposited with the Treasurer of State to be credited to the General Fund.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, § 4166, amended. The first 7 sentences of section 4166 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, are further amended to read as follows:

There shall continue in existence the Organized Townships Fund which shall include the principal of said fund arising from the public reserved lots prior to ~~the effective date of this Act~~ **October 3, 1973** and accrued but unexpended income of said fund as of said date. The State shall allow ~~interest~~ **income** annually as earned. Said fund shall be held and administered by the Treasurer of State. The income of the Organized Townships Fund shall be added to the principal of the funds, until the inhabitants of such township or tract are incorporated into a municipality, unless previously expended according to law. When any such township or tract is incorporated as a town, said funds belonging to it shall be paid by the Treasurer of State to the treasurer of the trustees of the ministerial and school funds therein, to be added to the funds of that corporation and held and managed as other school funds of that town are required to be held and managed. ~~When such township or~~

~~tract is organized as a plantation, the interest of said fund~~ Notwithstanding the foregoing, any income arising from activities under section 4162, subsection 4, on public reserved lands located in townships or tracts organized into plantations as of March 1, 1974, shall be held by the Treasurer of State in the Organized Townships Fund. The income from that portion of the fund belonging to each such plantation shall be paid annually by the Treasurer of State to the treasurer of such plantation to be applied toward the support of schools according to the number of scholars in each school. **Before income of said fund is so distributed to the treasurers of such plantations, an amount representing 10% of the total of such income shall be paid annually to the Commissioner of the Department of Conservation for use in managing and improving the public reserved lots in such organized plantations.** Said ~~interest~~ income shall be computed to the first day of each January by the Treasurer of State. The Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services shall file in the office of the State Controller a list of such plantations with the amount due for ~~interest~~ income for the preceding year according to a record of such amounts to be furnished to him by the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 30, § 4167, amended. Section 4167 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read as follows:

The assessors in plantations organized prior to March 1, 1974 shall have power to review and comment prior to final actions taken by the commissioner under section 4162, subsection 4, on the public lots located within their respective plantations.

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