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as directly as possible. All crossings shall be subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Persons may cross public ways only if the crossing can be made safely and does not interfere with vehicular traffic approaching from either direction;
- (2) The operator of the airmobile shall dismount and lead the machine along the extreme right of the traveled way; and
- (3) The operator of the airmobile shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicular traffic.

D. No person shall operate any airmobile along or adjacent and parallel to the tracks of any railroad within the limits of the railroad right-of-way without written permission from the railroad.

11. Operation of airmobiles.

A. Prior to November 1, 1979, the commissioner shall promulgate regulations restricting the operation of airmobiles in areas where their use may be harmful. These regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, Title 5, chapter 375, after public hearings in the areas affected.

B. These regulations shall, as a minimum, condition the use of airmobiles in fish and wildlife preserves, conservation areas, coastal and inland wetlands and great ponds.

C. The commissioner shall prohibit airmobile use wherever it adversely affects fish and wildlife habitat, interferes with the operation of other watercraft, threatens public safety or adversely affects the natural environment.

Sec. 9. Effective date. This Act shall take effect on December 1, 1979, except that that portion of section 8 enacting the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 2073, subsection 11, shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature.

Effective December 1, 1979 unless otherwise indicated

CHAPTER 239

H. P. 276 — L. D. 351

AN ACT to Eliminate an Unnecessary Reference in the Hunting Statutes to Use of Lights to Hunt from Vehicles.

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

12 MRSA § 2456, first sentence, as amended by PL 1975, c. 516, § 18, is further amended to read:

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.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 240

H. P. 1016 — L. D. 1286

AN ACT to Define What Foods May be Labeled or Advertised as Natural or Organic.

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

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA c. 103, sub-c I-A is enacted to read:

SUBCHAPTER I-A

FOODS LABELED AS NATURAL OR ORGANIC

§ 551. Definitions

As used in this subchapter, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following terms shall have the following meanings.

1. Minimal processing. "Minimal processing" means any or all of the following:

- A. The removal of inedible substances;
- B. The application of physical processes such as cutting, grinding, drying, homogenizing or pulping or the mixing or blending of 2 or more foods which changes only the form of the food;
- C. The processing necessary to make the food edible or safe for human consumption or to preserve it by heating, pasteurizing, freezing, smoking, curing or the addition of water or salt;
- D. The peeling or seeding of fruits and vegetables, shelling of nuts, the removal of chaff and hull from grains;