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## CHAPTER 486

## H.P. 1397 - L.D. 1836

**An Act to Clarify Licensure for the Operation of Antique Trucks**

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

**Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §101, sub-§3**, as amended by PL 1997, c. 653, §§2 and 3, is further amended to read:

**3. Antique auto.** "Antique auto" means an automobile or truck manufactured in or after model year 1916 that is:

- A. More than 25 years old;
- B. Equipped with an engine manufactured either at the same time as the vehicle or to the specifications of the original engine;
- C. Substantially maintained in original or restored condition primarily for use in exhibitions, club activities, parades or other functions of public interest;
- D. Not used as its owner's primary mode of transportation of passengers or goods; and
- E. Not a reconstructed vehicle.

**Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1252, sub-§1, ¶C**, as amended by PL 1997, c. 437, §29, is further amended to read:

C. A Class C license may be issued for the operation of a single vehicle or a combination of vehicles that does not meet the definition of Class A or Class B license.

A holder of a Class C license may, with an appropriate endorsement, operate all vehicles in that class.

A Class C license authorizes:

- (1) A full-time or volunteer member of an organized municipal, state or federal fire department to operate fire apparatus;
- (2) A person to operate recreational vehicles for personal use;
- (3) A person to operate military vehicles including National Guard vehicles;
- (4) A person to operate registered farm motor trucks bearing the letter "F" on the

registration plate within 150 miles of the registered owner's farm; ~~or~~

(5) A person, employed by a city, town, county, district or other unit of local government created by or pursuant to law that has a total population of 3,000 individuals or less, to operate a commercial motor vehicle within the boundaries of that unit of local government for the purpose of removing snow or ice from a roadway by plowing, sanding or salting, if:

(a) The properly licensed employee who ordinarily operates a commercial motor vehicle for those purposes is unable to operate the vehicle; or

(b) The employing governmental entity determines that a snow or ice emergency exists that requires additional assistance; or

(6) A person to operate a truck registered as an antique automobile, regardless of weight or combination weight, provided the vehicle is used for noncommercial recreational purposes or purposes pursuant to section 101, subsection 3.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 487

## H.P. 1441 - L.D. 1938

**An Act to Make Changes to the Respite Care Fund Administered by the Department of Human Services**

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

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §7308**, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 875, Pt. E, §42, is amended to read:

**§7308. Respite Care Fund**

The department shall administer the Respite Care Fund for the ~~specific~~ purpose of providing short-term respite care for ~~victims of persons with~~ Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. This respite care ~~must~~ may include short-term in-home care, nursing or ~~boarding home~~ residential care facility stays, hospital, ~~or adult day or temporary in-home care~~ or home modifications. The department also may use the fund to carry out the purposes of the National Family Caregiver Support Program.

See title page for effective date.