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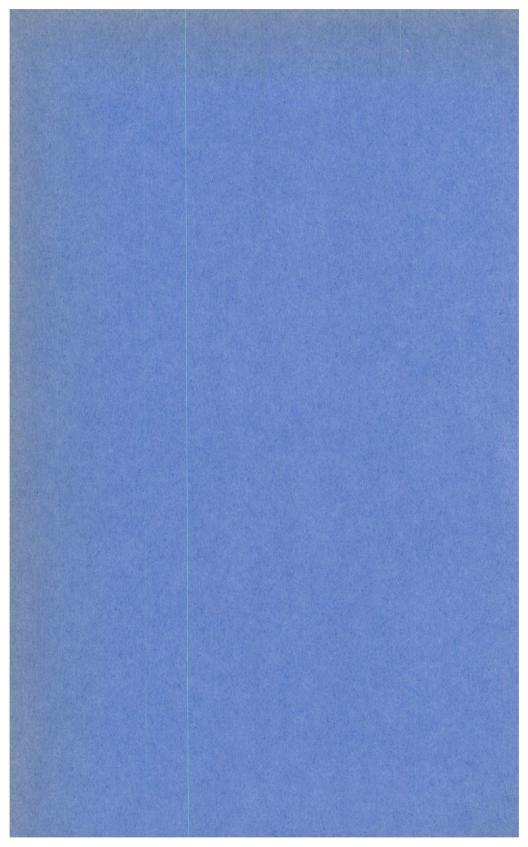
OF THE

MAINE COMMISSION ON INTERSTATE COOPERATION



FOR THE PERIOD

January 1, 1943 — January 1, 1945





Maine Commission on Interstate Cooperation

AUGUSTA, MAINE

June 19, 1945

His Excellency Horace A. Hildreth Governor of Maine Augusta, Maine

Dear Governor Hildreth:

Because of a delay in making available to you and the members of the legislature the enclosed report of the Maine Commission on Interstate Cooperation for the period January 1, 1943 to January 1, 1945, I am supplementing the report with this letter, enumerating certain changes which have occurred after January 1, 1945.

PERSONNEL

Representative Burton M. Cross of Augusta, by election, became a member of the Senate on January 3, 1945, and was appointed by the President of the Senate as a senate member of the Commission. Representative Joseph E. Sayward of Kennebunk was likewise elected to the Senate and was appointed to the Commission. Senator Lauren M. Sanborn did not seek reelection and Senator Ralph W. Farris automatically ceased to be a member of the Commission by virtue of his election as Attorney General.

Representative Albert A. Poulin, Rumford, was appointed by the Speaker of the House as a member of the Commission, and Representative Clarence S. Crosby of Farmington was likewise appointed. During the latter part of the legislative session Senator Sidney R. Batchelder of York County resigned and Senator John E. Townsend of Bangor was appointed to replace him. The members of the Commission as of May 1, 1945, were as follows:

HORACE A. HILDRETH, GOVERNOR, ex officio GEORGE D. VARNEY, PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, ex officio GEORGE B. BARNES, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, ex officio

Appointed by the Governor
David H. Stevens, State Tax Assessor, Chairman
Harold I. Goss, Secretary of State, Secretary
Frank E. Southard, Chairman, Public Utilities Commission

Appointed by the President of the Senate Senator Burton M. Cross of Augusta Senator Joseph T. Sayward of Kennebunk Senator John E. Townsend of Bangor Appointed by the Speaker of the House Representative Frank L. Baker of Scarboro Representative Clarence S. Crosby of Farmington Representative Albert A. Poulin of Rumford

LEGISLATION

Several legislative measures recommended by the Council of State Governments were adopted by the 92nd Maine Legislature, as follows:

Motor Truck Reciprocity

Veterans Service Officer

Chapter 342, Laws of 1945,
and also Administrative Order
of the Department of Health
and Welfare

Survey of Hospitals and Health Centers

Proof of Wills

Enrichment of Flour

Chapter 323, Laws of 1945
Chapter 18, Laws of 1945
Chapter 349, Laws of 1945

Evidence of Death Chapter 312, Laws of 1945
Purchase of Federal Surpluses Chapter 266, Laws of 1945

CONCLUSION

While the Commission voted not to sponsor any legislation in regard to forest conservation, including regulation of cutting practices, it did endorse the work done during the previous biennium by Commissioner Raymond Rendall of the Forestry Department, and suggested that additional information be obtained about this all important subject.

Conferences sponsored by the Council of State Governments, including the usual biennial meeting of that organization, were curtailed greatly and in most instances cancelled, because of travel restrictions.

In order to provide a continuous record of the Commission's activities, the material contained in this letter will be incorporated in the next biennial report.

Very respectfully yours,

CHAIRMAN, MAINE COMMISSION ON INTERSTATE COOPERATION

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State of Maine

REPORT

OF THE

MAINE COMMISSION ON INTERSTATE COOPERATION



FOR THE PERIOD

January 1, 1943 — January 1, 1945

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January 15, 1945

TO HIS EXCELLENCY HORACE A. HILDRETH GOVERNOR OF MAINE

In accordance with the provisions of section 39 of chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes of 1944, the Commission on Interstate Cooperation respectfully submits herewith its report for the period January 1, 1943 to January 1, 1945.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK L. BAKER
SIDNEY R. BATCHELDER
BURTON M. CROSS
RALPH W. FARRIS
LAUREN M. SANBORN
JOSEPH T. SAYWARD
FRANK E. SOUTHARD
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HAROLD I. GOSS, Secretary

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as of

JANUARY 1, 1945

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REPORT

of the

COMMISSION ON INTERSTATE COOPERATION

JANUARY 1, 1943—JANUARY 1, 1945

PERSONNEL

The Commission was created by Chapter 250 of the Public Laws of 1939 (Chapter 9, Revised Statutes 1944) which established a commission of nine regular members, namely; three state officials to be appointed by the Governor, three members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate and three members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; all of whom continue without interruption to hold the office by virtue of which they are appointed. The Governor, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House are ex officio members of the Commission.

During the period covered by this report the membership of the Commission has remained unchanged. The Hon. Harold I. Goss, Secretary of State, has continued to serve as Secretary of the Commission, and the Hon. David H. Stevens, State Tax Assessor, has remained as Chairman.

There have been several changes in the Committees of the Commission and a complete list of the membership of these Committees is being made a part of this report.

For convenience a copy of the original act creating the Commission (Chapter 250 Public Laws of 1939) is also being included in this report.

FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMISSION

The Maine Commission on Interstate Cooperation is one of forty-four similar state commissions which have for their main objective the sponsoring of either reciprocal or uniform legislation in matters of common interest to the states of the Union. All of the various commissions on interstate cooperation are affiliated with the Council of State Governments and assistance from that organization is readily available upon request by the Maine Commission on Interstate Cooperation. The organization and functions of the Council of State Governments are best described by quoting from the pamphlet published January 1, 1943, by that organization, and entitled "The Council of State Governments":

"The Council of State Governments is a joint governmental agency established by the States, serving the States, and supported by the States.

It is the secretariat for the Governor's Conference, the National Association of Attorneys General, the National Association of Secretaries of States, and it acts as a clearinghouse and research center for legislators, legislative reference bureaus, and for the above national organizations of state officials. In order to carry on its work, the Council maintains offices in Chicago, New York, San Francisco, and Washington, D. C.

It is a medium through which many Federal-State and interstate problems have been resolved and a forum for the consideration of the increasing number of problems growing out of the war emergency, including those which overlap state boundaries; questions of civilian defense, transportation, emergency fiscal problems, rationing, water supply and pollution, conflicting taxation, interstate trade barriers, highway safety, public welfare, and conservation of natural resources. All these matters have been subjects of conferences and reports which are of benefit to each of the States.

The component parts of the Council of State Governments are the Commissions on Interstate Cooperation, established by legislative action in the States. Close relationships are also maintained with the State Councils of Defense. Through these agencies the Council has

demonstrated that this method of cooperation among the several States, and between the States and the Federal Government, is necessary, valuable, and practical, and of increasing importance in winning the War."

ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION

Since the Maine Commission on Interstate Cooperation was established in 1939, it has sponsored several legislative measures recommended by the Council of State Governments. The Commission has also undertaken to assist the Commissioners on Uniform Legislation in securing the passage of uniform legislation recommended by both the Council of State Governments and the Commissioners on Uniform Legislation of this State and other States. There have been several measures of interest from an interstate cooperation standpoint which have been enacted by the State of Maine legislature and not specifically sponsored by the Commission on Interstate Cooperation. For convenience there is listed as part of this report the title and legal reference of the laws now on the statute books of the State of Maine which are of interest from the standpoint of interstate cooperation.

During the period covered by this report the Maine Commission on Interstate Cooperation was interested in the following general subjects: fisheries, forest conservation, social welfare, highway safety, agricultural and dairy products, interstate waters taxation, crime, and war legislation.

Legislation sponsored or supported by the Commission and enacted by the 91st Legislature in 1943 in connection with the above subjects, was, the Reciprocal Warden Act, Bangs' Disease Act relating to cattle entering the State, Fire-Works Control Act, War Housing Act, and while not sponsored by the Commission other legislation as recommended by the Council of State Governments, passed during this session of the legislature, was: Compensation Involving Prior Injury, Temporary Licensing of Physicians, and Acknowledgments Act.

Members of the Commission have attended various regional and national meetings sponsored by the Council of State Governments and the commissions on interstate cooperation of other states, namely, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the State of New York. These

meetings and conferences in every case, were called for the purpose of discussing some specific phase of governmental activity, such as liquor control problems, taxation of property owned by the Federal Government, Highway Safety and Motor Vehicle Problems and conservation as it relates to Flood Control from forestry cutting practices.

In addition to the members of the Commission who attended these meetings various administrative officials of the State of Maine were present and apparently derived considerable benefit from the material discussed and from their contacts with officials of other states. A list of the meetings and those attending, is also being made a part of the report.

CONCLUSION

The State of Maine Legislature has apparently enacted into law a great many of the legislative measures recommended by the Council of State Governments including nearly all of the war legislation which has been suggested. (See list of legislation enacted.) The major objective of the Council of State Governments for both state and local governmental units has been to pay off debts as rapidly as possible and at the same time build up financial reservations for the post-war period. These objectives have been carried out on an extensive scale by both the State of Maine and its political sub-divisions.

Future legislation is recommended along the following lines:

- 1. Legislation to enable the federal, state and local governmental units to coordinate the administration of taxes for the purpose of eliminating overlapping administrative agencies and the resulting inconvenience to tax payers.
- 2. Continuing attention to be given to the post-war situation as it develops for the purpose of establishing the proper relationship between federal, state and local governmental units in the matter of post-war construction and any other problems that may arise during that period.

- 3. Additional study and consideration to be given to conservation problems and more specifically in the State of Maine to forest taxation and cutting practices.
 - The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries in its efforts to bring about conservative practices in the fisheries industry, should be given such assistance as may be possible by the Commission on Interstate Cooperation.
- 4. Attention should be given to the problems of social welfare and relief as events in this field, from the standpoint of interstate cooperation, will no doubt transpire rather rapidly during the postwar period. The most specific problem which is emerging in this field is the abandonment of settlement in the distribution of general relief.
- 5. Because of the very close relationship between the States and Federal Government in the field of highway and motor vehicle transportation, a great deal of thought and consideration should be expended on the problems in this connection and more specifically in the State of Maine. Legislation should be originated to place on the statute books of the state, permission to extend from 40 ft. to 45 ft. the maximum length of tractor-trailer motor truck combinations. The 45 ft. length is now permitted through Executive Order dated August 18,1942.

The Maine Commission on Interstate Cooperation is grateful for the help and assistance of Mr. Wayne D. Heydecker, former Regional Representative of the Council of State Governments and Mr. David W. Robinson, the present Regional Representative, and also to the staff of the Council of State Governments and the various administrative officers of the State of Maine as well as the members of the various Commissions on Interstate Cooperation in the Northeastern region.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID H. STEVENS, Chairman

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS OF THE COMMISSION ON INTERSTATE COOPERATION, STATE OF MAINE AS OF JANUARY 15, 1945

1. Motor Vehicle Problems:

Hon. Frank E. Southard, Chairman Public Utilities Commission Augusta, Maine Hon. Clarence S. Crosby Maine State Legislature 117 High Street Farmington, Maine

2. Safety Education:

Hon. Harold I. Goss Secretary of State Augusta, Maine Senator Joseph T. Sayward Maine State Legislature Kennebunk, Maine

3. Traffic Regulation and Control:

Hon. Ralph Sawyer, Traffic Engineer State Highway Department Augusta, Maine Representative Albert A. Poulin Maine State Legislature 218 Knox Street Rumford, Maine

4. Highway and Bridge Program:

Hon. Lucius D. Barrows, Chief Engineer State Highway Department Augusta, Maine 5. Uniform Highway and Motor Vehicle Legislation:

Senator Burton M. Cross Maine State Legislature Augusta, Maine

6. Agriculture:

Hon. Carl Smith Commissioner of Agriculture Augusta, Maine Hon. Earl P. Osgood, Chairman Milk Control Board Fryeburg, Maine

7. Social Welfare and Relief:

Hon. Harry O. Page, Commissioner Health & Welfare Augusta, Maine Senator Lee C. Good Maine State Legislature Monticello, Maine

8. Liquor Control Problems:

Senator John E. Townsend Maine State Legislature 64 Royal Road Bangor, Maine Col. E. J. Quinn, Member Maine State Liquor Commission Augusta, Maine

CHAPTER 250 PUBLIC LAWS 1939

AN ACT to Establish an Unpaid Commission to Facilitate the Cooperation of this State with other States.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MAINE AS FOLLOWS:

Sec. 1. MAINE COMMISSION ON INTERSTATE CO-OPERATION, established. There is hereby established the Maine commission

on interstate co-operation. The commission shall be composed of 9 regular members; namely, 3 state officials to be appointed by the governor, 3 members of the senate to be appointed by the president of the senate, and 3 members of the house of representatives to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. The governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives shall be ex officio members of the commission.

- Sec. 2. TENURE OF OFFICE. The members appointed by the governor shall hold office as members of the commission so long as they shall continue to hold the respective state offices by virtue of which they shall have been appointed. The members appointed from the senate shall hold office as members of the commission so long as they shall continue without interruption to be members of the senate and the members appointed from the house of representatives shall continue to hold office as members of the commission so long as they shall continue without interruption to be members of the house of representatives.
- Sec. 3. ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE. The commission shall organize by the choice of 1 of its members to be its chairman and of 1 of its members to be its secretary. The commission may enact such rules governing its procedure and the conduct of its affairs not inconsistent-with law as it may see fit.
- Sec. 4. FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMISSION. It shall be the function of this commission:
- (1) To carry forward the participation of this state as a member of the Council of State Governments.
- (2) To encourage and assist the legislative, executive, administrative and judicial officials and employees of this state to develop and maintain friendly contact by correspondence, by conference, and otherwise, with officials and employees of other states, of the federal government and of local units of government.
- (3) To endeavor to advance cooperation between this state and other units of government whenever it seems advisable to do so by formulating proposals for, and by facilitating:

- (a) The enactment of uniform or reciprocal statutes.
- (b) The adoption of uniform or reciprocal administrative rules and regulations.
- (c) The informal co-operation of governmental offices with one another.
- (d) The personal co-operation of governmental officials and employees with one another, individually.
- (e) The interchange and clearance of research and information, and
- (f) Any other suitable process.
- (4) In short, to do all such acts as will, in the opinion of this commission, enable this state to do its part in forming a more perfect union among the various governments in the United States and in developing the Council of State Governments for that purpose.
- Sec. 5. COMMISSION TO FORM CERTAIN COMMITTEES. The commission shall have power to establish such delegations and committees as it deems advisable (whose members may or may not be made up from the members of the commission, from state officials or from private citizens), such delegations or committees to be charged with the duty of conferring and formulating proposals concerning effective means to secure interstate harmony and of performing such other functions for the commission as it may from time to time require.
- Sec. 6. REPORTS: TO SERVE WITHOUT COMPENSATION. The commission shall report to the governor within 15 days after the convening of each regular legislative session, which report shall be transmitted by the governor to the legislature, and it may report to the governor at such other times as it deems appropriate. Its members and the members of all delegations and committees which it establishes shall serve without compensation for such service.

Sec. 7. OTHER STATES TO BE NOTIFIED. The secretary of state shall forthwith communicate the text of this measure to the governors of the several states of the union.

APPROVED APRIL 19, 1939

CONFERENCES ARRANGED BY COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS

and

ATTENDANCE FROM THE STATE OF MAINE

January 15, 1943

Sixth Eastern States Conservation Conferences: to hear reports of subcommittees and discuss proposed drafts of legislation regarding forestry practices; and to hear brief report on activities of Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. Hotel Statler, Boston, Massachusetts.

Attendance from Maine

Representative Frank L. Baker Representative Burton M. Cross Representative Joseph T. Sayward Senator Ralph W. Farris Raymond Rendall, State Forest Commissioner David H. Stevens, State Tax Assessor

February 12-13, 1943

Eighth Regional Conference on Highway and Motor Vehicle Problems: to discuss war transportation problems and need for coordinated action by the states; and to consider necessary steps to be taken now in meeting postwar problems. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine

Representative Frank L. Baker Representative Joseph T. Sayward Representative Burton M. Cross

Lucius D. Barrows, Chief Engineer, State Highway David H. Stevens, State Tax Assessor

April 9-10, 1943

Regional Conference of New England and Middle Atlantic States on Post-War Problems in the States: to discuss, organize and promote the development of interstate plans and programs in this field. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine

Representative Frank L. Baker Senator Ralph W. Farris City Manager James E. Barlow, Portland Herman B. Libby, Member City Council, Portland David H. Stevens, State Tax Assessor

August 6-7, 1943

Northeastern Regional Committee on Motor Truck Problems Meeting: to discuss activation of federal-state agreement and supplement governing transportation of explosives; to effect survey to determine legislation needed to complete adoption of minimum flooring plan in northeastern states. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine

None

September 24-25, 1943

Regional Conference of New England and Middle Atlantic States on Post-War Problems in the States: to discuss reports of National Committee on Postwar Reconstruction and Development and determine state programs. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine

Harry B. O'Brien, Director, Post-war Planning Senator Ralph W. Farris

November 27, 1943

Northeastern Regional Committee on Highway and Bridge Postwar Programs Meeting: organization meeting. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine

Representative Burton M. Cross

December 2-3, 1943

Northeastern Regional Conference on Liquor Control Problems: to discuss interstate wartime liquor problems of the license and monopoly states. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine

J. A. Mossman, Commissioner of Finance W. H. Towle, Chairman, State Liquor Commission David H. Stevens, State Tax Assessor

December 17-18, 1943

Ninth Regional Conference on Highway and Motor Vehicle Problems: to hear reports of the continuing committees and determine work-program for ensuing year. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine

Representative Frank L. Baker Senator Ralph W. Farris Lucius D. Barrows, Chief Engineer, State Highway Louis Hutto, State Department of Education Ralph H. Sawyer, State Highway Department

January 7-8, 1944

Regional Conference on Social Welfare and Relief Problems: to discuss state settlement laws, employment services and unemployment assistance for war veterans, social insurance and social security, with a view toward obtaining uniform state action in these fields. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine

Harry O. Page, Commissioner of Health and Welfare

January 20, 1944

Meeting of Continuing Committee on Highway and Bridge Post-War Programs: to outline work-program and to discuss disposition of surplus war equipment and federal highway plans as they affect the States. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine ,

February 4, 1944

Hearings on the Extension of Federal Liability to Localities for Real Estate Taxation or Payments in Lieu Thereof: held before the Subcommittee of the Committee on the Public Lands, House of Representatives. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine None

March 10, 1944

Meeting of Regional Committee on Liquor Control Problems: organization meeting to discuss work assignments and the position of the States regarding the manufacture, marketing and distribution of alcoholic beverages, their regulation and control. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine
Senator Ralph W. Farris
Col. E. J. Quinn, Member, State Liquor Commission

March 17, 1944

Meeting of Continuing Committee on Motor Truck Problems: to discuss uniform sizes and weights of motor vehicles, reciprocity as to

the movement of vehicles in interstate commerce, and the transportation of explosives and inflammables. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

> Attendance from Maine Senator Ralph W. Farris

April 14-15, 1944

Seventh Annual Eastern States Conservation Conference: to discuss state and interstate water resources problems and the conflict between state and federal interests in fields of multiple water use and control. Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass.

Attendance from Maine

Representative Frank L. Baker Representative Burton M. Cross John G. Marshall, Assistant Attorney General M. R. Stackpole, Water Resource Div., State of Maine David H. Stevens, State Tax Assessor

August 24-25, 1944

Meeting of Regional Continuing Committee on Social Welfare and Relief Problems: organization meeting to determine legislation for 1945 sessions regarding settlement, reciprocity and other welfare matters. Harrisburg, Penn.

Attendance from Maine

Harry O. Page, Commissioner of Health and Welfare

September 14-15, 1944

Regional Conference of New England and Middle Atlantic States on Postwar Problems in the States: to discuss plans and programs of the States for solving postwar problems. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine

Representative Frank L. Baker Representative Burton M. Cross Senator Ralph W. Farris David H. Stevens, State Tax Assessor

November 28-29, 1944

Regional Conference on Aviation and the States: to bring about an understanding of the problem, uniformity of state legislation and administration, and to determine state and federal division of responsibility. Harrisburg, Penn.

Attendance from Maine

Adrian Cote
John Willey | Members Maine Aeronautics Commission

December 12-13, 1944

Tenth Annual Conference on Highway and Motor Vehicle Problems: to receive reports of the work of continuing committees in the field, discuss needed legislation and postwar programs. Hotel Roosevelt, New York City.

Attendance from Maine

Representative Frank L. Baker Representative Burton M. Cross Representative Joseph T. Sayward Senator Ralph W. Farris David H. Stevens, State Tax Assessor

December 19, 1944

Pre-session Legislative Conference: to consider model bills recommended by the Council and the general legislative programs to be sponsored by the Cooperation Commissions during the 1945 sessions. Hartford, Conn.

Attendance from Maine

Representative Frank L. Baker Senator Ralph W. Farris LeRoy Folsom, Assistant Attorney General Senator Lee C. Good

LEGISLATION RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS ADOPTED BY THE MAINE LEGISLATURE

NAME OF ACT	ORIGINAL LAW	PRESENT LAW
Interstate Compact for the Supervision of Parolees and Probationers	Chapter 4, Laws of 1939	Chapter 23, RS 1944
Interstate Fresh Pursuit	Chapter 7, Laws of 1939	Chapter 138, RS 1944
*Out-of-State Witnesses	Chapter 9, Laws of 1939	Chapter 139, RS 1944
*Narcotic Drugs	Chapter 251, Laws of 1941	Chapter 62 , RS 1944
31/8" Lobster Act	Chapter 319, Laws of 1941 (Passed Special Session of 1942)	Chapter 34, RS 1944
Pre-marital Medical Examination	Chapter 202, Laws of 1941	Chapter 22, RS 1944
Bangs Disease	Chapter 294, Laws of 1943	Chapter 27, RS 1944
Fireworks Control	Chapter 354, Laws of 1943	Chapter 124, RS 1944
Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact	Chapter 314, Laws of 1941 (Passed Special Session 1942)	Chapter 314, Laws of 1941
Reciprocal Warden	Chapter 225, Laws of 1943	Chapter 225, Laws of 1943
Minimum Standards of Maximum Permissible Sizes and Weights for Motor Trucks		Maine laws comply with permissible sizes and weights for Motor Trucks, except in the matter of length of vehicle. Executive Order of Governor, issued Aug. 18, 1942, permits vehicle length of 45 feet, rather than 40 feet length called for in law. Executive Order issued under provisions of Chapter 305, Laws of 1941. (Passed Special Session of 1942). Executive Order still in effect.

WAR LEGISLATION RECOMMENDED BY COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS AND ADOPTED BY STATE LEGISLATURE

NAME OF ACT	ORIGINAL LAW	PRESENT LAW
State Council of Defense and Civilian Defense	Chapter 308, Laws of 1939 (Special Session of 1940)	Chapter 12 and 21, RS 1944
	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941 (Passed Special Session 1942)	and Chapter 305, Laws of 1941
Sabotage Prevention	Chapter 237, Laws of 1941	Chapter 237, Laws of 1941
State Guard	Chapter 7, Laws of 1941	Chapter 12, RS 1944
Air-Raid Precautions	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941 (Passed Special Session 1942)	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941
Fire Defense Mobilization	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941 (Passed Special Session 1942)	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941
Acceptance of Federal Grants	Chapter 315, Laws of 1941 (Passed Special Session 1942)	Chapter 12, RS 1944
Emergency War Powers	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941 (Passed Special Session 1942)	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941
Military Traffic Control	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941 (Passed Special Session 1942)	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941
Establishment of Aeronautics Commission	Chapter 236, Laws of 1941	Chapter 21, RS 1944
Airport Acquisition	Chapter 173, Laws of 1941	Chapter 21, RS 1944
Speed Limits Adjustment	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941 (Passed Special Session 1942)	Chapter 305, Laws of 1941
Airport Zoning	Chapter 142, Laws of 1941	Chapter 21, RS 1944

NAME OF ACT	ORIGINAL LAW	PRESENT LAW
Second Injury	Chapter 272, Laws of 1943	Chapter 26, RS 1944
Temporary Licensing of Physicians	Chapter 273, Laws of 1943	Chapter 273, Laws of 1943 and Chapter 61, RS 1944
Establishment of Post-War Planning Commission	Chapter 353, Laws of 1943	Chapter 353, Laws of 1943
Local War Housing Centers	Chapter 260, Laws of 1943	Chapter 260, Laws of 1943
State Post-War Reserve Fund and Planning	Chapter 353, Laws of 1943	Chapter 353, Laws of 1943
Local Post-War Reserve Fund and Planning	Chapter 262, Laws of 1943	Chapter 80, RS 1944
Acknowledgments	Chapter 170, Laws of 1943	Chapter 154, RS 1944
Investment of Public Funds	Chapter 192, Laws of 1943	Chapter 15, RS 1944
Unauthorized Wearing of Military Uniforms		Chapter 12, RS 1944

UNIFORM LEGISLATION ADOPTED BY MAINE LEGISLATURE

Bills of Lading	Chapter 257, Laws of 1917	Chapter 172, RS 1944
Criminal Extradition	Chapter 124, Laws of 1929, and Chapter 10 of Laws of 1939	Chapter 139, RS 1944
Declaratory Judgments	Chapter 233, Laws of 1941	Chapter 95, RS 1944
Flag Act	Chapter 158, Laws of 1919	Chapter 1, RS 1944
Judicial Notice of Foreign Law	Chapter 75, Laws of 1939	Chapter 100, RS 1944

NAME OF ACT	ORIGINAL LAW	PRESENT LAW
Negotiable Instruments	Chapter 257, Laws of 1917	Chapter 174, RS 1944
Sales	Chapter 191, Laws of 1923	Chapter 171, RS 1944
Simultaneous Death	Chapter 111, Laws of 1941	Chapter 156, RS 1944
Stock Transfer	Chapter 266, Laws of 1943	Chapter 49, RS 1944
Transfer of Dependents	Chapter 188, Laws of 1933	Chapter 22, RS 1944
Veterans' Guardianship	Chapter 131, Laws of 1929	Chapter 146, RS 1944
Warehouse Receipts	Chapter 143, Laws of 1917	Chapter 173, RS 1944

^{*} See Page 20 for uniform law relating to Out-of-State Witnesses and Narcotic Drug.