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An Act to more fully provide for the registration of motor vehicles, licensing of persons operating same, regulating speed, prescribing the amount of license and registration fees and making penalty for the violation of certain provisions of this act

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

Section 1. The terms "motor vehicle," as used in this act shall include all vehicles self-propelled on the highway, townway, public streets, avenues, driveway, park or parkway, by motive power of whatsoever kind, namely, automobiles, (used for the conveyance of persons for hire, pleasure or business), motor trucks or automobiles (used for commercial purposes), motor cycles (used for pleasure or business), log haulers or traction engines (used for commercial purpose), excepting such vehicles as run only upon rails or railway tracks, automobile fire engines and apparatus, and other vehicles used by cities or towns, such as police patrol wagons and road rollers.

Section 2. The rate of speed upon any highway, townway, public street, avenue, driveway, park or parkway by any person operating a motor vehicle in this state shall be not greater than twenty-five miles an hour in open country outside of cities and villages, and within the compact or built-up portions of any city, town or village not greater than ten miles an hour, except where such city or town may by ordinance or by law permit a greater rate of speed.

Section 3. No person operating a motor vehicle on any highway, townway, public street, avenue, driveway, park or parkway, shall drive at any speed greater than is reasonable, safe and proper, having regard to the traffic and use of the public way by others, or so as to endanger the life or limb of any person. Racing and reckless driving on any such ways, streets, avenues or parks is hereby forbidden.

Permits may be granted by municipal officers of cities or towns after a public hearing thereon to drive automobiles or motor cycles in hill climbing contests during a specified time upon a certain highway at any rate of speed.

Section 4. Whoever, driving or operating a motor vehicle upon any highway, townway, public street, avenue, driveway, park or parkway of this state, when approaching from the opposite direction a person riding, driving or leading a horse or other animal which appears to be frightened, is signaled by putting up of the hand or by other visible sign by such person shall cause such motor vehicle to come to a stop as soon as possible and remain stationary so long as it may be necessary and reasonable to allow such horse or animal to pass. Whenever traveling in the same direction the person operating a motor vehicle shall use reasonable caution in passing horses or other animals and vehicles.
Section 5. Every such motor vehicle when in use on the highways shall have attached thereto a suitable horn, bell or other equally as good means of signal, that when blown, rung or otherwise operated may be heard a distance of at least two hundred feet, and shall also have lighted lamps between thirty minutes after sunset and thirty minutes before sunrise. Automobiles and motor trucks shall have at least two white lights forward and one red rear light with white light to plainly illuminate registered number. Motor cycles shall have at least one white light forward and one red rear light. Log haulers or traction engines shall have at least two white lights forward.

Section 6. Municipal officers of any city or town may designate places on any streets or ways therein, where in their judgment by reason of cliffs, embankments or other exceptional natural conditions the meeting of motor vehicles and horses or other animals would be attended with unusual danger, by causing the words “automobiles go slow” to be conspicuously displayed on sign boards on the right hand side of each approach to such place not less than one hundred and fifty feet distant therefrom. And no such motor vehicle shall pass any place so designated at a greater speed than five miles an hour, and if a horse ridden or driven is met coming from the opposite direction and signal from the person riding or driving such horse or other animal is made, the driver of such motor vehicle shall come to a stop as soon as possible, and allowing a reasonable time for said horse or other animal to pass, and whenever traveling in same direction, shall use reasonable and proper care in passing said horse or other animal.

Section 7. Whosoever violates any provision of the five preceding sections shall be punished by a fine not less than ten or more than twenty-five dollars for first offense and not less than twenty-five or more than fifty dollars for second offense committed during any period of twelve months, or by imprisonment of a term not exceeding ten days.

Section 8. All motor vehicles shall be registered by the owner or person in control thereof in accordance with the provisions of this act. Application for such registration may be made by mail or otherwise to the secretary of state upon blanks prepared under his authority. The application shall, in addition to such other particulars as may be required by said secretary, contain a statement of the name, place of residence and address of the applicant, with a brief description of the motor vehicle, including the name of the maker, the number if any, affixed by the maker, the character of the motive power and the amount of such power, stated in figures of horse power, and with such application shall be deposited an annual registration fee of:

Five dollars for automobiles (used for conveyance of persons for hire, pleasure or business), of twenty horse power and under.

Ten dollars for automobiles (used for conveyance of persons, for hire, pleasure or business), between twenty horse power and including thirty-five horse power.
Fifteen dollars for automobiles (used for conveyance of persons, for hire, pleasure or business), over thirty-five horse power.

Ten dollars for motor trucks or automobiles (used for commercial purposes).

Three dollars for motor cycles (used for pleasure or business).

Ten dollars for traction engines or log haulers (used for commercial purposes).

The above horse power shall be based on the “A-L-A-M” standard, so-called. Application for registration, applied for by an owner of an automobile, a resident of this state, not including motor cycle, log hauler or traction engine, during the periods between the first day of October and ending December thirty-first in any year after nineteen hundred and eleven, one-half of the registration fee.

The secretary of state upon granting the application shall register in a book or upon suitable index cards to be kept for the purpose, the motor vehicle described in the application, giving to the owner of such motor vehicle a distinguishing number or other mark and shall thereupon issue to the applicant a certificate of registration, said certificate shall contain the name, place of residence and address of the applicant, and the registered number or mark shall prescribe the manner in which said registered number or mark shall be inscribed or displayed on the motor vehicle and shall be in such form as the secretary may determine.

The secretary of state shall also furnish the applicant two enamel iron plates, containing the word “Maine” to be not less than one inch in height and the number of the registration in Arabic numerals not less than four inches in height. The number plates must be attached to the front and rear of automobiles, auto tracks and traction engines. Motor cycles will be provided with a registration seal or other distinguishing mark as may be determined by the secretary of state. The number for motor cycles must be so placed as to be always plainly visible. A proper record of all applications for registration and of all certificates issued shall be kept by the secretary of state in his office and shall be open to the inspection of any person during reasonable hours. The certificate of registration shall always be carried on the person or in some easily accessible place in or about the motor vehicle. Upon the sale of any motor vehicle, registration shall expire and the vendor shall immediately return the certificate of registration to the secretary of state, with notice of sale and the name, place and residence and address of the vendee. Registration plates, seal, or other distinguishing mark for automobiles, motor cycles and traction engines shall be furnished free, from the office of the secretary of state.

A motor cycle that has been registered in accordance with this section, may be operated by the owner of such motor cycle without a license and the certificate of registration shall be evidence of the right to operate. To replace lost or mutilated plates, seventy-five cents each. The express charge for delivery of registration plates to be paid for by the receiver.
Section 9. Every manufacturer of or dealer in motor vehicles (automobiles or auto trucks) may instead of registering each motor vehicle owned or controlled by him, make application upon a blank provided by said secretary of state, for a general distinguishing number or mark and said secretary may, if satisfied with the facts stated in the application, grant the application and issue to the applicant a certificate of registration, containing the name, place of residence and address of the applicant and the general distinguishing number or mark assigned to him or them and made in such form as the secretary of state may determine; and all motor vehicles (automobiles and motor trucks) owned and controlled by such manufacturer or dealer shall until sold, or exchanged be regarded as registered under such general distinguishing number or mark. The annual fee for every certificate of registration shall be:

Twenty-five dollars for privilege to purchase, demonstrate, sell and exchange automobiles and auto trucks.

The secretary of state shall furnish the manufacturer or dealer with five pairs of registration number plates free of cost. Extra registration plates to the manufacturers and dealers in automobiles and auto trucks, in addition to the five pairs of plates originally furnished, to replace lost or mutilated plates, seventy-five cents each. Expressage on registration number plates to be paid by the receiver. Application for registration applied for by a manufacturer or dealer in automobiles or motor trucks, during the periods beginning the first day of October and ending December thirty-first in any year, one-half of the registration fee.

Every manufacturer or dealer in motor cycles shall annually pay a fee of six dollars for registration certificate to handle, demonstrate, sell and exchange motor cycles. The secretary of state shall furnish the manufacturer of, or dealer in motor cycles with three sets of seals or other distinguishing marks free of cost. For every seal for motor cycle in addition to the three seals originally furnished the manufacturer or dealer in motor cycles to replace lost or mutilated plates, fifty cents per plate, expressage to be paid by the receiver.

Every manufacturer or dealer in automobiles, auto trucks and motor cycles in this state shall pay to the secretary of state the registration fee on or before December thirty-first nineteen hundred and eleven, and annually on this date thereafter, provided that any manufacturer or dealer as aforesaid, commencing business in this state after January first of any year, shall pay to the secretary of state at the time of commencing said business the registration fee herein provided.

Section 10. Whenever a manufacturer or dealer sells or exchanges an automobile, he or they shall immediately notify the secretary of state to whom the motor vehicle has been sold or exchanged, with description of motor vehicle, name of maker, name of make, if possible, horse power and address of the party to whom sold or exchanged. The secretary of state shall furnish necessary blanks for making said reports. Application for registration applied for by manufacturers or dealers in
automobiles, not including motor cycles, during the period between the first day of October and ending December thirty-first in any year one-half of the registration fee.

Section 11. No motor vehicle of whatsoever kind shall be operated by a resident of this state of Maine, upon any highway, townway, public street, avenue, driveway, park or parkway, unless registered as herefore provided, and no person, a resident of the state, shall operate a motor vehicle upon any highway, townway, public street, avenue, driveway, park or parkway, unless licensed to do so, under the provisions of this act. Every registration of motor vehicles shall expire on the thirty-first day of December of each year and the certificate of registration thereupon becomes void.

Section 12. A person transferring the ownership of a registered automobile or motor truck and applying to the secretary of state for registration of another automobile or motor truck in the same calendar year, shall receive a certificate of registration and number plates therefor upon payment of a fee of two dollars, and pay expressage provided the horse power is the same as that of the former automobile or auto truck, but if the horse power of the other vehicle is greater he shall pay the difference between the fee paid by him for the vehicle first registered and the fee for the vehicle of greater horse power. A person who may exchange an automobile or motor truck before the first day of August in any year and procure a certificate of registration paying therefor a fee of two dollars, shall if the automobile or motor truck received in exchange is of less horse power than the former vehicle, be entitled to a rebate of one-half the difference between the fee of said former vehicle and the fee for the vehicle of lower horse power received in exchange as aforesaid. Provided, however, that a person transferring the ownership of a motor cycle and applying for registration of another motor cycle within the same calendar year, shall pay for registration certificate thereof a fee one dollar, which fee shall include seal or number plate, expressage to be paid by the receiver.

Section 13. A log hauler, traction engine or other motors to be used in drawing heavily loaded sledges, carts, drays or vans, may be operated upon the ways of any town, provided the owner or operator thereof shall first secure written permit from the municipal officers of such town, so to operate, and shall deposit with said municipal officers a good and sufficient bond running to said municipal officers and their successors in office in amount satisfactory to said municipal officers, conditioned to reimburse said town for any expenses necessarily incurred in repairing all damages to their townways caused by the use of such log hauler, traction engine or other motor thereon.

Section 14. Licenses for operating motor vehicles shall be issued by the secretary of state to persons not less than sixteen years of age. Applications shall be made upon blanks prepared by the secretary of state for this purpose and the licenses issued shall be in such form and shall contain such provisions as said secretary of state may determine.
To such licenses shall be assigned some distinguishing number or mark and a proper record of all applications for license and of all licenses issued shall be kept by the secretary of state at his office and shall be open to the inspection of any person during reasonable business hours. Each license shall state the name, age, place of residence of licensee and the distinguishing number or mark assigned to him. The fee for such license to operate an automobile, motor truck or traction engine shall be two dollars, which shall be deposited at the time of making the application. The secretary of state may at any time suspend or revoke any license for any violation of this act or regulation made thereunder. Before a license to operate is granted, the applicant shall present such evidence as to his qualification to operate a motor vehicle, as may be required by the secretary of state. Every person licensed to operate motor vehicles shall endorse his name in the margin of the license and such license shall not be valid until so endorsed.

Section 15. Non-residents may operate motor vehicles on the roads and highways of this state not exceeding thirty days without registration, provided that such motor vehicle is registered in some other state or country and has attached thereto registered plates, and driven by a person licensed to operate in this or some other state or country. Previous to the expiration of said thirty days, if the owner is to continue operation within this state, he must make application to the secretary of state for registration in accordance with section eight and pay the fee of:

Five dollars for automobile, twenty horse power and under,
Ten dollars for automobile between twenty horse power and including thirty-five horse power,
Fifteen dollars for automobile of over thirty-five horse power,
Three dollars for motor cycle,
Ten dollars for auto truck,
Ten dollars for traction engine and log hauler,
on receipt of which fee the secretary of state shall furnish said applicant a certificate of registration and two number plates free of expense, expressage to be paid by the receiver, which said plates must be placed on the motor vehicles, forward and rear, and remain there so long as such motor vehicle is operated in this state in the year of issuing said certificate, provided, however, that applications for registration for non-resident owners of motor vehicles applied for during the periods between the first days of October and ending December thirty-first in any year after nineteen hundred and eleven, shall be one-half of said registration fee. Motor cycles owned by non-residents driven by a person registered in this or some other state or country may be operated on the roads and highways of this state having a registration seal, plate or other distinguishing mark attached to his motor cycle, on thirty days limitation before registering.

Section 16. Whosoever violates any provisions of the seven preceding sections shall be punished by fine not exceeding fifty dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding ten days.
Section 17. This or the preceding sections shall not prevent the operation of motor vehicles by unlicensed persons if riding with or accompanied by a licensed operator. Such unlicensed persons so operating for the purpose of becoming familiar with the use and handling of a motor vehicle, preparatory to taking out license for driving.

Section 18. Motor vehicles of whatever kind or description may be operated on the roads and highways of this state, unless prohibited by special law or town ordinance duly authorized by the legislature, prohibiting the use of automobiles or motor vehicles in certain towns, contained in public laws nineteen hundred three, nineteen hundred five, nineteen hundred seven, nineteen hundred nine, subject, however, to the provisions of sections two, three, four, five, six, and seven.

Section 19. All licenses to operate motor vehicles that have been issued prior to December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and eleven, will become void on that date and all applications for new licenses to drive or operate a motor vehicle must be made to the secretary of state and a certificate received to enable the person to drive or operate a motor vehicle of whatsoever kind excepting motor cycles on and after January first, of any year, which certificate will be furnished by the secretary of state on payment of two dollars.

Section 20. Any person operating a motor vehicle upon any way recklessly or while under the influence of intoxicating liquor so that the lives or safety of the public are in danger, or upon a bet, wager or race, or who for the purpose of making a record, thereby violating the speed regulations and who knowingly goes away without stopping and making himself known after causing injury to any person or property, or who uses a motor vehicle without authority from its owner, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or by imprisonment for a term of three months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and if any person be convicted the second time for violation of this section, he shall be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for a term not less than six months and not more than one year. On conviction of violation of this section, the license of the person to operate so convicted shall be revoked immediately. And if the person so convicted is the owner of a motor vehicle, or has control of any motor vehicles as a manufacturer or dealer, the certificate of registration of all motor vehicles owned or controlled shall be revoked.

Section 21. All fees received by the secretary of state under this act shall be turned over to the state treasurer every calendar month during the year to be appropriated and used for the repair, maintenance and construction of the state highways, under the direction of the Maine state highway commission.

Section 22. All automobiles, auto trucks ten horse power or more, shall be provided with two efficient brakes, foot brake and emergency lever brake. Motor Cycles shall be provided with at least one brake to be operated by hand. All motor vehicles (automobiles, motor cycles and auto trucks) must be supplied with muffler, when operating upon
Use of Roads in Certain Towns.

USE OF THE ROADS IN THE TOWN OF CASTINE.

Chapter 326, Private and Special Laws of 1905.

Sec. 1. The town of Castine in the county of Hancock at any legal meeting of the voters thereof, may close to the use of automobiles the following streets within its limits: So much of Main street as extends north of Water street; so much of Water street as extends west of Main street; so much of High street as extends west of State street; so much of Wadsworth Cove road as extends from Fort George to Wadsworth Cove, shore or beach; so much of Penobscot Bay road as extends north of the Bagaduce road. Any street or road so closed or so much thereof as is closed, shall be marked at the point where it is closed, by a sign-board in large letters, "No automobile allowed on this road."

The term "automobile" as used in this section applies to all motor vehicles propelled by power. For the violation of this act the town of Castine may vote at said meeting what punishment shall be inflicted for the violation thereof, but for the first offense, not over fifty dollars, and cost of prosecution; for the second offense, not over fifty dollars or thirty days' imprisonment or both, and cost of prosecution.

USE OF CERTAIN ROADS IN THE TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT.

Chapter 23, Private and Special Laws of 1907.

Sec. 1. The town of Mount Desert in the county of Hancock, at any legal meeting of the voters thereof, may adopt by-laws prohibiting the use of automobiles on the following named sections of road within
its limits, which having steep grades and being narrow and circuitous are unsuitable and dangerous for their use, to wit, from the Mill Brook bridge in Northeast Harbor, northerly over the Sargent Drive to the bridge over Sargent's brook, so-called; from the corner at Asticou, easterly and southerly to Little Harbor Brook bridge so-called; from the bridge at the head of Otter Creek, southerly to the bridge over Hunter's Beach brook; from the bridge over the Mill Pond brook in Somesville, northerly to the Doctor's Creek bridge, so-called; from Hutchinson's corner, so-called, in Somesville, westerly to the bridge at the head of Great Pond, so-called. Any section of road so closed shall be marked at the entrance thereof by sign-boards in large letters, "No automobiles allowed on this road."

The term "automobile" as used in this section, applies to all motor vehicles propelled by power. The town of Mount Desert may vote at said meeting what punishment shall be inflicted for the violation of such by-laws, but for the first offense, not over twenty-five dollars and cost of prosecution, and for the second offense, not over twenty-five dollars and thirty days' imprisonment, or both, and cost of prosecution.

[Amends above law. Takes effect July 12, 1913.]

AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF AUTOMOBILES IN THE TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT IN HANCOCK COUNTY.

Chapter 124, Private and Special Laws, 1913.

Sec. 1. So much of chapter one hundred and thirty-three of the private and special laws of the state of Maine for the year nineteen hundred and nine as relates to the town of Mount Desert, in Hancock county and the state of Maine is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. Section one of chapter twenty-three of the private and special laws of the state of Maine for the year nineteen hundred and seven is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "automobile" in the third line thereof, and inserting in the place thereof the following words: "On any or all of the highways or townways in said town which said by-law may declare to be for any reason dangerous or unsuitable for their use. Any section of road so closed shall be marked at the entrance thereof by sign-boards in large letters, "no automobiles allowed on this road," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 1. The town of Mount Desert, in the county of Hancock, at any legal meeting of the voters thereof, may adopt by-laws prohibiting the use of automobiles on any or all of the highways or townways in said town which said by-law may declare to be for any reason dangerous or unsuitable for their use. Any section of road so closed shall be marked at the entrance thereof by sign-boards in large letters, "no automobiles allowed on this road."'
The term automobile as used in this section applies to all motor vehicles propelled by power. The town of Mt. Desert may vote at said meeting what penalty or punishment shall be inflicted for the violation of such by-laws, but for the first offense not over twenty-five dollars and cost of prosecution and for the second offense not over twenty-five dollars and thirty days imprisonment or both and cost of prosecution.

Sec. 3. This act shall not apply and shall not authorize said town to prohibit the use of automobiles upon any part of the highway referred to and described in section two of chapter two hundred and seventy-two of the private and special laws of the state of Maine for the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

Sec. 4. Subject to the provisions of the state constitution hereto applicable, this act shall take effect ten days after it shall be accepted by said town of Mount Desert at any legal meeting called by a warrant containing an article for the purpose.

USE OF CERTAIN ROADS IN THE TOWNS OF CAMDEN AND LINCOLNVILLE.

Chapter 53, Public Laws of 1907.

Sec. 1. The town of Camden in the county of Knox, and the town of Lincolnville in the county of Waldo, at any legal meeting of the voters of each of said towns may adopt by-laws prohibiting the use of automobiles on the following named section of roads within their respective limits, which having steep grades and being narrow, circuitous, and on the margin of Lake Megunticook, is unsuitable and dangerous for their use. The road known as the Turnpike, beginning at Hopkins Corner, so-called, in Camden, and extending to Young Town, so-called, in Lincolnville. The said section of road so closed shall be marked at all entrances to it by sign-boards, in large letters, “No automobiles allowed on this road.”

Sec. 2. The term “automobiles,” as used in this section, applies to all motor vehicles propelled by power. The towns of Camden and Lincolnville may vote in said meetings what punishment shall be inflicted for the violation of such by-laws, but for the first offense, not over twenty-five dollars and cost of prosecution, and for the second offense, not over twenty-five dollars and thirty days' imprisonment, or both, and costs of prosecution.

USE OF CERTAIN ROADS IN THE TOWN OF BLUEHILL.

Chapter 56, Public Laws of 1907.

Sec. 1. The town of Bluehill in the county of Hancock, at any legal meeting of the voters thereof, may adopt by-laws prohibiting the use of
automobiles on the following named sections of road within its limits, which having steep grades and being narrow and circuitous are unsuitable and dangerous for their use, to wit, from the Granite bridge, near Wescott's Corner, so-called, easterly and southerly to Friend's Corner, thence northeasterly to East Bluehill bridge, thence northerly to Inman's private way on Morgan's Bay road, so-called; also the road leading from Babson's Corner, so-called, northerly to Durgan's Corner, so-called, also the road leading from the Brooklin line northerly and westerly to Falls bridge, also the road leading from Herrick's Corner, so-called, northeasterly to Parker Point, so-called, thence northwesterly to Main street in Bluehill village, also the road leading from the corner near the Ball place, so-called, southwesterly and westerly to the corner near the Bluehill Inn. Any section of road so closed shall be marked at the entrance thereof by signboards in large letters, "No automobiles allowed on this road."

The term "automobile" as used in this section, applies to all motor vehicles propelled by power. The town of Bluehill may vote at said meeting what punishment shall be inflicted for the violation of such by-laws, but for the first offense, not over twenty-five dollars and cost of prosecution, and for the second offense, not over twenty-five dollars and thirty days' imprisonment, or both, and cost of prosecution.

USE OF A CERTAIN ROAD IN THE TOWN OF READFIELD.

Chapter 340, Private and Special Laws of 1907.

Sec. 1. The town of Readfield, in the county of Kennebec, at any legal meeting of the voters thereof may adopt by-laws prohibiting the use of automobiles on the following named road within its limits, which, being narrow and circuitous, is unsuitable and dangerous for their use, to wit: The Pond road, so-called, being the road beginning at the road leading from Readfield to Kent's Hill near the sawmill and running thence northwesterly to the road leading from Mount Vernon to Kent's Hill. Said road shall be marked at the entrance thereof by sign-boards, in large letters, "No automobiles allowed on this road."

The term "automobile" as used in this section applies to all motor vehicles propelled by power. The town of Readfield may vote at said meeting what punishment shall be inflicted for the violation of such by-laws; but, for the first offense, not over twenty-five dollars and cost of prosecution, and for the second offense, not over twenty-five dollars and thirty days' imprisonment, or both, and cost of prosecution.

(This act repealed. To take effect July 12, 1913.)
AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER THREE HUNDRED AND FORTY OF THE PRIVATE AND SPECIAL ACTS OF NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVEN, RELATING TO THE HIGHWAY IN READFIELD CLOSED TO AUTOMOBILES.

Chapter 32, Private and Special Laws, 1913.
Sec. 1. Chapter three hundred and forty of the Private and Special Acts of nineteen hundred and seven, is hereby repealed.

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF AUTOMOBILES IN THE TOWN OF EDEN, MOUNT DESERT, TREMONT AND SOUTHWEST HARBOR, ON THE ISLAND OF MOUNT DESERT.

Chapter 133, Private and Special Laws of 1909.
Sec. 1. No automobile or motor vehicle shall be set up, used, driven or operated in or on any highway, townway, or public street within any of the towns of Eden, Mount Desert, Tremont and Southwest Harbor, on the island of Mount Desert, in the county of Hancock, State of Maine.

Sec. 2. Whoever sets up, uses, drives or operates any automobile or motor vehicle contrary to the provisions of section one hereof shall on first conviction be punished by a fine of twenty dollars and costs of prosecution, and on second and every subsequent conviction shall be punished by a fine of fifty dollars and costs of prosecution or by imprisonment for not exceeding sixty days or by both fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 3. The words "motor vehicle," as herein used, shall not be construed to include steam road rollers used by authority of the town officers.

Sec. 4. In such of the said towns as shall accept this act at any legal meeting called by a warrant containing an article for that purpose, this act shall, subject to the provisions of the state constitution thereto applicable, take effect ten days after it shall be so accepted.

(Repealed in so far as it relates to Eden by emergency act now in force.)
(Also repealed in so far as it has to do with Mt. Desert to take effect July 12, 1913.)
AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THREE OF THE PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS OF THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINE IN REGARD TO THE USE OF AUTOMOBILES ON THE ISLAND OF MOUNT DESERT.

Chapter 272, Private and Special Laws of 1911.

Sec. 1. Section one of chapter one hundred and thirty-three of the Private and Special Laws of the year one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled “An Act to prohibit the use of automobiles in the towns of Eden, Mount Desert, Tremont and Southwest Harbor, on the Island of Mount Desert,” is hereby amended by striking out the words “any of” in the third line of said section and adding the word ‘and’ between the words “Eden” and “Mount Desert” on the third line of said section, and striking out the words “Tremont” and “Southwest Harbor” in the fourth line of said section, so that said section when amended shall read as follows:

‘Sec 1. No automobile or motor vehicle shall be set up, used, driven or operated in or on any highway, town way, or public street, within the towns of Eden and Mount Desert, on the island of Mount Desert, in the county of Hancock, state of Maine.’

Sec. 2. The provisions of this act or any previous act shall not apply to a certain public highway leading directly from said town of Tremont to the town of Trenton, which is defined as follows: Beginning on the highway or road at the Center at the town line between the said towns of Tremont and Mount Desert, thence following the main traveled highway or road in a northerly direction in said Mount Desert to Pretty Marsh Corner, thence in a general northwesterly direction following the main traveled highway or road in said Mount Desert to Smith’s Corner, so-called, thence northerly following the main traveled highway or road in said Mount Desert to the Eden town line near High Head, thence northerly over the main traveled highway or road in Eden through Indian Point, so-called, to Bunker’s Corner, at Town Hill, thence northerly following the main traveled highway or road in Eden through the Cousens District, so-called, to the town of Trenton; said highway or road to be used for ingress or egress to and from the town of Tremont on said island of Mount Desert to said town of Trenton.

(Repealed by emergency act in so far as it has to do with Eden, now in force.)

(Also repealed in so far as it has to do with Mt. Desert, taking effect July 12, 1913.)
AN ACT PERMITTING THE USE OF AUTOMOBILES IN THE TOWN OF EDEN.

Chapter 134, Private and Special Laws, 1913.

Whereas, the summer resort interests of the town of Eden are the principal business interests of that town, and the admission of automobiles thereto, other than at the commencement of the summer season, would seriously interfere with the conduct of business therein; and whereas, the interest of the people of the state at large requires that travel by automobile to the village of Bar Harbor in said town of Eden be permitted at the commencement of the summer season, provided such travel is to be permitted at all, and unless this act is passed as an emergency act it can not take effect until the middle of the season at Bar Harbor, an emergency therefore exists, and the public health, peace and safety will be conserved by their immediate admission to said town, now therefore, Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. Chapter four hundred twenty of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and three and chapter two hundred forty-two of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and eleven are hereby repealed. So much of chapter one hundred thirty-three of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and nine as amended by chapter two hundred seventy-two of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and eleven as relates to the town of Eden, and all other acts and parts of acts prohibiting or restricting the use of automobiles or motor vehicles in said town of Eden are hereby repealed. All by-laws and ordinances of said town of Eden prohibiting or restricting the use of automobiles or motor vehicles on the town ways, streets or highways of said town are hereby declared void and of no effect.

Sec. 2. The town of Eden, in the county of Hancock, and State of Maine, may, at any legal meeting, called by a warrant containing an article for the purpose, close to the use of automobiles and motor vehicles the following town ways and highways within its limits: The Norway Drive so called, beginning at Liscomb's Corner, so-called, and extending to the Eagle Lake road near the Young District schoolhouse; the Breakneck Drive between Hulls Cove and the Eagle Lake road; the Ocean Drive, beginning at the bridge at the foot of the hill near the Satterlee property, at Great Head, and extending to the drive way to the Country Club, near Otter Cliffs. Any town way or highway so closed shall be marked at the entrance thereof by signboards in large letters, "No automobiles allowed on this road."

The term "automobile" as used in this section applies to all motor vehicles propelled by power. For the violation of this section the town of Eden may vote at said meeting what punishment shall be inflicted for the violation thereof, but for the first offense, not over
twenty-five dollars and costs of prosecution; for the second offense, not over twenty-five dollars or thirty days' imprisonment, or both and costs of prosecution.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to steam road rollers or motor fire engines used by direction of the municipal officers of said town of Eden.

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF AUTOMOBILES AND MOTOR VEHICLES ON ONE OF THE WAYS OF THE TOWN OF WATERFORD, FOR TWO YEARS.

Chapter 50, Private and Special Laws of 1911

Sec. 1. For a period of two years no automobile or motor vehicle shall be set up, used, driven or operated in or on the highway in the town of Waterford, in Oxford county, leading from Harrison and Bridgton along the east side of Bear pond, so-called, said way being narrow, crooked and very dangerous.

Sec. 2. Whoever sets up, uses, drives or operates any automobile or motor vehicle contrary to the provisions of section one hereof, shall on the first conviction be punished by a fine of ten dollars and cost of prosecution, and on the second and every subsequent conviction shall be punished by a fine of twenty dollars and cost of prosecution or by imprisonment not exceeding thirty days.

[Imperative after June 30 1913.]

[Takes effect July 12, 1913.]

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF AUTOMOBILES ON PUBLIC ROADS IN THE TOWN OF ISLESBORO.

Chapter 105, Private and Special Laws, 1913.

Sec. 1. No automobile or motor vehicle shall be set up, used, driven or operated in or on any highway, townway or public street within the town of Islesboro in the county of Waldo, and State of Maine.

Section 2. Whoever sets up, uses, drives or operates any automobile or motor vehicle contrary to the provisions of section one hereof, shall on first conviction be punished by a fine of twenty dollars and costs of prosecution, and on second and every subsequent conviction shall be punished by a fine of fifty dollars and costs of prosecution, or by imprisonment for not exceeding sixty days, or by both fine and imprisonment.
REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

[In effect July 12, 1913.]

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NEUTRAL AUTOMOBILE ZONE WITH ADJACENT STATES.

Chapter 205, Public Laws of 1913.

Sec. 1. A motor vehicle owned by a non-resident of this state who has complied with the laws of his state relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, who has a bona fide actual residence in a state granting like privileges to residents of this state, which residence is located within fifteen miles by highway of the border line of this state, may be operated upon any ways of this state distant not more than fifteen miles from the border line of his state, if application for the registration thereof is made in his own state in accordance with the provisions of section eight and the proper fee provided for in said section eight is paid, and the said motor vehicle is duly registered by the secretary or his authorized agent. The secretary of this state shall furnish at his office without charge, to every person whose automobile is registered as aforesaid, a metal tag of suitable design, and oval in shape, to have displayed upon it the register number assigned to such motor vehicle, the letters "Me." and figures showing the year of issue, but no such tag shall be furnished by the secretary for motor cycles. Such tag shall at all times be conspicuously displayed on the front of such motor vehicle. Every application filed under the provisions of this act shall be sworn to by the applicant before a justice of the peace or a notary public. Every permit issued under the provisions of this act shall expire with each calendar year.

Sec. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

[In effect July 12, 1913.]

AN ACT FOR THE BETTER PROTECTION OF AUTOMOBILE GARAGE KEEPERS AND OWNERS.

Chapter 214, Public Laws of 1913.

Sec. 1. Whoever puts an automobile in a public garage or other place where automobiles are stored for hire, and without having an express agreement for credit, procures supplies, accessories or accommodation for himself or said automobile, and with intent to defraud the owner or keeper of said garage, removes or causes to be removed any such automobile from such garage without paying the reasonable charges due for repairs, supplies, accessories and accommodation furnished thereon, shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding three months or by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars.

Sec. 2. In order for the owner or keeper of such a garage to obtain the benefits of this act, a printed copy thereof must be posted up in some conspicuous place in said garage.
A. L. A. M. HORSE-POWER RATING

The formula adopted is:

\[ D^2 \times N \]

where \( D \) is the cylinder bore in inches, \( N \) the number of cylinders, and 2.5 a constant, based on the average view of the A. L. A. M. engineers as to a fair conservative rating for a four-cycle motor at one thousand feet per minute piston speed.

**TABLE OF HORSE-POWER FOR USUAL SIZES OF MOTORS, BASED ON A. L. A. M. FORMULA**

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