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## Uniform State Laws

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interest, must (1) be carried on under a grant of privileges which expressly or impliedly imposes the affirmative duty of rendering a public service, or (2) be an occupation which has survived the period when all trades and callings were regulated, or (3) have a peculiar relation to the public because of the indispensable nature of its service and the exorbitant charges and arbitrary control to which it might subject the public.

The last case, *Tyson vs. Banton*, 47 *Sup. Ct.* 426 (1927), involving the question of whether amusements were sufficiently clothed with a public interest to justify regulation of maximum admission prices, did not clear up the uncertainties or give final answer, according to Mr. Willis; it held that the question came under the third part of the test set forth in *Wolff Packing Co. vs. Industrial Court*, if at all, but failed in meeting that test because theatres do not render an indispensable service but are purely private enterprises; and, as a result of this decision, Mr. Willis concludes that we are embarking on an uncharted sea so far as the judicial determination of such questions as the following is concerned: Is there any economic pattern into which public interest enterprises can be fitted? Can we delimit the field of business activity? Are Giant Power, the coal industry and the steel industry affected with a public interest? Are other trusts and monopolies public callings?

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#### UNIFORM STATE LAWS

The following statement of the Chairman of the Association's Committee on Uniform State Laws is presented in this issue in the hope that it may accomplish, in part at least, the desire of that Committee:

"The Uniform State Law Committee of the North Dakota Bar Association must secure the assistance and cooperation of the members of the Bar of North Dakota. We must educate the public generally and the Legislature in particular on the character and nature of this work and upon its importance. To do this requires publicity and the cooperation of the press. We are assured the press will give us this publicity, if we furnish it. The committee regards articles and talks by the local members as of more value than coming from the committee and its members. Many members indicate a lack of sufficient familiarity to write the articles or give the talks. To secure this familiarity is the problem of the committee.

"A few days ago we selected in each county two or three members requesting them to do this work and furnished them a copy of a popular statement of the Motor Vehicle Act. One or two prepared some articles. In one or two places they had the Motor Vehicle Act published. Practically all signified a willingness to cooperate. This Motor Vehicle Act was published by one paper in Minot as a whole and another paper published parts of it, running through a series. The article was designed to give some information of the work of the Conference and Commissioners, and to be used by local members in preparing their own publicity.

"The committee now proposes to have published in Bar Briefs each month a short article by various members of the Committee, with a view to informing the members of the Bar on this work, and with a

view to their use thereof in preparing such articles and talks as they themselves may prepare and publish.

"We wish we could place in every member's hands the reports of the Conference and the various approved acts but that is impossible. Articles are constantly appearing in the legal publications, the American Bar Association Journal, the Commercial Law League Journal, and other publications from which the Bar can familiarize itself with the work and which can be used by the members in assisting us in securing publicity. Remember that the work is of exceeding importance. Remember that it is non-political. Let your committee have this little cooperation and assistance. If you don't feel able to spare the time to write your own articles get your local press to print some of these articles written by the committee. North Dakota is not doing her share in this magnificent work. Her sister states are putting the approved acts into operation; their commissioners participating in the Conference are appointed by legislative authority; they meet the expenses of their commissioners in attending and carrying on their share of the work of the National Conference; many of them have gone farther than this and are, through appropriations, assisting in meeting the general expense of the Conference and its work."—Paul Campbell, Chairman.

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UNIFORM ACTS DRAFTED AND APPROVED

Name of Act	Year of Approval	No. States Adopting
Acknowledgments Act .....	1892	9
Acknowledgments Act, Foreign .....	1914	7
Aeronautics Act .....	1922	12
Arbitration Act .....	1925	4
Bills of Lading Act .....	1909	27
Chattel Mortgage Act .....	1926	....
Child Labor Act .....	1911	4
Cold Storage Act .....	1914	6
Conditional Sales Act .....	1918	9
Criminal Extradition Act .....	1926	4
Declaratory Judgments Act .....	1922	12
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Fiduciaries Act .....	1922	11
Firearms Act .....	1926	....
Flag Act .....	1917	10
Foreign Depositions Act .....	1920	12
Fraudulent Conveyance Act .....	1918	14
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Interparty Agreement Act .....	1925	2
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