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DIVISION 3. OBLIGATIONS [1427 - 3273.69] (*Heading of Division 3 amended by Stats. 1988, Ch. 160, Sec. 14.*)

PART 4. OBLIGATIONS ARISING FROM PARTICULAR TRANSACTIONS [1738 - 3273.69] (*Part 4 enacted 1872.*)

TITLE 5. HIRING [1925 - 1997.270] (*Title 5 enacted 1872.*)

CHAPTER 3. Hiring of Personal Property [1955 - 1959] (*Chapter 3 enacted 1872.*)

[1955.](#) Except as otherwise agreed by the lessor and the lessee in lease agreements for a term of more than 20 days, one who leases personal property must deliver it to the lessee, secure his or her quiet enjoyment thereof against all lawful claimants, put it into a condition fit for the purpose for which he or she leases it, and repair all deteriorations thereof not occasioned by the fault of the lessee and not the natural result of its use.

(Amended by Stats. 1982, Ch. 561, Sec. 1.)

[1956.](#) Except as otherwise agreed by the lessor and lessee, a lessee of personal property must bear all such expenses concerning it as might naturally be foreseen to attend it during its use by him or her, and all other expenses must be borne by the lessor.

(Amended by Stats. 1982, Ch. 561, Sec. 2.)

[1957.](#) If a lessor fails to fulfill his or her obligations, as prescribed by Section 1955, the lessee, after giving him or her notice to do so, if the notice can conveniently be given, may expend any reasonable amount necessary to make good the lessor's default, and may recover such amount from him or her.

(Amended by Stats. 1982, Ch. 561, Sec. 3.)

[1958.](#) At the expiration of the term for which personal property is leased, the lessee must return it to the lessor at the place contemplated by the parties at the time of leasing; or, if no particular place was so contemplated by them, at the place at which it was at that time.

(Amended by Stats. 1982, Ch. 561, Sec. 4.)

[1959.](#) The contract by which a ship is let is termed a charter party. By it the owner may either let the capacity or burden of the ship, continuing the employment of the owner's master, crew, and equipments, or may surrender the entire ship to the charterer, who then provides them himself. The master or a part owner may be a charterer.

(Enacted 1872.)