

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE  
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OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE.

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**Chapter 22.**

CHAP. 22.

An act relating to Civil Actions in behalf of the State.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

In addition to the remedies now provided by law, any action in behalf of the state to enforce the collection of any state taxes upon any corporation, or to recover of any person or corporation any moneys due the state, public funds or property belonging to the state, or the value thereof, may be brought in any county within the state; *provided, however,* on motion of the defendant, any judge of the supreme judicial court for the state, holding the term at which any such action is returnable, may upon good and sufficient reasons shown, remove the same to the docket of said court in any other county in the state for trial, and may award costs to the defendant for one term, upon such removal, to be paid by the treasurer of state on presentation of the certificate of the amount thereof, of the clerk of the court of the county from which said action is transferred.

Certain actions in behalf of the state, may be brought in any county.

—proviso.

Approved February 24, 1881.

**Chapter 23.**

An act to amend chapter one hundred and eighty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, entitled "An act requiring Railroad Corporations to be holden for labor," which chapter is additional to chapter fifty-one of the Revised Statutes relating to Railroads.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

Chapter one hundred and eighty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven is hereby amended by adding to the same the following: 'But such liability shall terminate unless the party claiming to have performed such labor shall commence an action against the company in cases hereafter arising within six months after the giving of such notice, and, in cases now existing, within six months after this act shall take effect,' so that said act shall read as follows :

Ch. 186, public laws 1877, amended.

'SECT. 84. Every railroad company, in making contracts for the building of its road, shall require sufficient security from the contractors for the payment of all labor thereafter

Railroad companies shall require security

## CHAP. 24.

for payment of  
laborers, and be  
liable to them if  
notified

Termination of  
liability.

performed in constructing the road by persons in their employ ; and such company shall be liable to the laborers employed, for labor actually performed on the road, if they, within twenty days after the completion of such labor, shall, in writing, notify its treasurer that they have not been paid by the contractors. But such liability shall terminate unless the party claiming to have performed such labor shall commence an action against the company, in cases hereafter arising within six months after the giving of such notice, and in cases now existing, within six months after this act shall take effect.'

Approved February 24, 1881.

### Chapter 24.

An act to amend item fifth of section twenty-four of chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, relating to powers and obligations of school districts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

Sec. 24, ch. 11,  
R. S., amended.

Item fifth of section twenty-four of chapter eleven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "if they find it practicable," in said item, and inserting instead thereof the words 'and the schools shall commence and continue as voted by the district, unless, in the opinion of the superintending school committee or supervisor, it would be detrimental to the best interests of the district on account of any contagious disease, or other good reason,' so that said item as amended shall read as follows :

School districts  
to instruct com-  
mittee or super-  
visor when  
schools shall  
commence, etc.

'Fifth. To instruct the superintending school committee or supervisor at what time the schools shall commence ; and the schools shall commence and continue as voted by the district, unless, in the opinion of the superintending school committee or supervisor, it would be detrimental to the best interests of the district on account of any contagious disease or other good reason.'

Approved February 26, 1881.