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lum, or any person supported by any town, is a fit subject for the Maine School for Feeble Minded, such judge may commit such person to said school by an order of commitment directed to the hospital trustees, accompanied by a certificate of two physicians who are graduates of some legally organized medical college and have practiced three years in this State, that such a person is a proper subject for said institution; provided no such order of commitment shall issue until an application for admission of such person has first been made to the hospital trustees, which shall be placed on file at the institution and evidence thereof presented to the judge of probate, accompanied by a certificate of the superintendent, stating in substance that such person will be received under the provisions of section seven of chapter forty-four of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred seven, when properly committed. Whenever, upon such application, there is occasion for the judge of probate to attend a hearing on days other than days fixed as the regular day for holding the probate court, said judge of probate shall be allowed five dollars per day for his services and expenses, which shall be paid by the county treasurer upon the certificate of the county commissioners.'

CHAP. 109

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committal.

—proviso.

Judge's fee  
for attend-  
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vacation.

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## Chapter 109.

An Act for the Relief of the Needy Blind Residents of Maine.

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

Section 1. The Governor and Council shall order paid, out of any funds appropriated for that purpose, such sums of money, toward the support of any needy blind person, who may come under the provisions of this act as may be required to carry out the provisions hereof.

Payments  
under su-  
pervision of  
Governor  
and Council.

Section 2. All persons over the age of twenty-one years, who are declared to be blind, in the manner hereinafter set forth; and who come within the provisions of this act shall, at the discretion of the Governor and Council, receive as a benefit two hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly, upon warrants drawn on the State Treasurer.

Aid, to  
whom and  
how paid.

Section 3. No person or persons who are charges of any charitable or penal institution of this State, or of any charitable or penal institution of any county or city thereof, or persons having an income of more than three hundred dollars per annum, or able to earn the same, or persons who have not re-

Persons ex-  
empt from  
receiving  
aid.

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sided within the State of Maine continuously for ten consecutive years, and in their respective counties for one year immediately before applying for said benefit shall be entitled to benefits under the provisions of this act.

Procedure  
for securing  
aid.

Section 4. Persons claiming the benefits provided herein may go before the city, town, or plantation clerk where they reside, and make affidavit to the facts which bring them within the provisions of this act, and said affidavit shall be deemed an application for said benefit; and said city, town, or plantation clerk shall transmit the same, together with the affidavit of two witnesses, residents of the same county, as to the places and time of residences of said applicants, to the municipal officers of the city, town, or plantation in which said blind persons reside.

Appoint-  
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aminer of  
the blind,  
how made.

Section 5. It is hereby made the duty of the municipal officers of cities, towns and plantations of this State to appoint a regular practicing physician whose official title shall be examiner of the blind, who shall have an office in some convenient place in said city, town, or plantation during the first week of June and December of each year for the examination of applicants for said benefit; and said municipal officers shall forward to said examiner all applications received from the clerks of cities, towns and plantations where said applicants reside.

—duties of  
examiner of  
the blind.

Section 6. It is hereby made the duty of the examiner of the blind, during the first week of June and December of each year, to examine all applicants for said benefits referred to him by the municipal officers of the several cities, towns and plantations; and to endorse on the applications certificates showing whether or not the applicant is blind and needy. Said examiner shall keep a register in which he shall enter all the facts contained in each certificate. He shall be paid from the county treasury the sum of two dollars for each examination and shall forthwith return said applications with his certificate thereon to the board of municipal officers from which they came.

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of appli-  
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certify to  
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Council  
names of  
applicants  
entitled to  
aid.

Section 7. The municipal officers of cities, towns and plantations shall register the name, address and number of each applicant and date of examination of such applicant entitled to benefits; and each year, on or before the twentieth day of June and December they shall certify to the Governor and Council the name and residence of all applicants entitled as aforesaid.

—duty of  
Governor  
and Council.

Section 8. It is hereby made the duty of the Governor and Council to cause warrants of fifty dollars each to be drawn on the State Treasurer payable to each of said blind persons or their legal representatives every three months thereafter, dur-

ing the life of said persons while they are residents of this State or until said disability is removed. CHAP. 110

Section 9. Any person who shall make a false affidavit in order to secure the benefit herein provided, shall upon conviction, be deemed guilty of perjury and shall be subject to the penalty provided by law therefor.

—penalty  
for making  
false affi-  
davit.

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### Chapter 110.

An Act to Fix the Standard Weight of Certain Commodities Not Included in Section Thirty-nine of Chapter Thirty-nine of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter One Hundred Twenty-four of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Thirteen, and to Correct the Standard Weight of a Bushel of Dried Apples and to Change the Standard Weight of a Barrel of Potatoes.

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

The standard weight of a bushel of lima beans, in good order and fit for shipping, is fifty-six pounds; of shell beans, twenty-eight pounds; soy beans, fifty-eight pounds; scarlet or white runner pole beans, fifty pounds; string beans, twenty-four pounds; Windsor (broad) beans, forty-seven pounds; beets, sixty pounds; beet greens, twelve pounds; cracked corn, fifty pounds; cranberries, thirty-two pounds; dandelions, twelve pounds; feed, fifty pounds; kale, twelve pounds; lime, seventy pounds; meal, except oatmeal, fifty pounds; Japanese millet, thirty-five pounds; parsley, eight pounds; peanuts, green, twenty-two pounds; peanuts, roasted, twenty pounds; pears, fifty-eight pounds; peas, unshelled, green, twenty-eight pounds; peas, wrinkled, fifty-six pounds; rice, rough, forty-four pounds; rye, fifty-six pounds; salt, coarse, seventy pounds; Sea Island cotton seed, forty-four pounds; Upland cotton seed, thirty pounds; spinach, twelve pounds; dried apples, twenty-five pounds. The standard weight of a barrel of flour is one hundred and ninety-six pounds; of potatoes, in good order and fit for shipping, one hundred and sixty-five pounds; of sweet potatoes, in good order and fit for shipping, one hundred and fifty pounds.

Ch. 39, Sec. 39, R. S., as amended by Ch. 124, P. L., 1913, further amended, changing certain standard weights.

—dried  
apples.

Standard  
weight of  
potatoes  
changed.

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