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STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Eighty-ninth Legislature

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## Chapter 66

### AN ACT Relating to Motions to Set Aside a Verdict Heard by the Presiding Justice.

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

R. S., c. 96, § 60, amended. Section 60 of chapter 96 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 60. Verdict may be set aside by presiding justice. Any justice of the superior court may set aside a verdict and grant a new trial in a civil case tried before him, when in his opinion the evidence demands it. But such verdict shall not be set aside by a single justice when 2 verdicts have been rendered against the applicant.

A motion to so set aside a verdict must be filed at the same term at which such verdict is rendered and shall be heard by the presiding justice either in term time or in vacation at his discretion; if such motion is heard in term time the presiding justice may render his decision in vacation or at a later term.

If such decision is unfavorable to the moving party, no judgment shall be entered in the action until the expiration of 10 days thereafter, during which period such moving party may file another motion to have the verdict set aside as against law or evidence as provided in section 59, without prejudice by reason of the denial of the previous motion by the presiding justice, and all proceedings thereon shall be in accordance with the provisions of said section 59.'

Approved March 15, 1939.

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## Chapter 67

### AN ACT Relating to the Practice of Law.

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

R. S., c. 93, § 31, amended. Section 31 of chapter 93 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 4 of chapter 176 of the public laws of 1931, and by chapter 142 of the public laws of 1937, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

'The supreme judicial court, or any justice thereof, in term time or vacation, shall have the power to issue a rule requiring any person alleged to

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have violated any of the provisions of this section to appear on a day fixed, and show cause why he should not be adjudged in contempt, and abide the order of such court or justice in the premises, which order shall be served by a copy in hand at least 5 days before the return day. In the event that such court or justice finds said person guilty of violating any of the provisions of this section, the person so adjudged shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 3 months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. This power vesting authority in the supreme court, or any member thereof, to punish for contempt is not to supersede any of the other provisions of this section, but is in addition to any other remedy provided herein.'

Approved March 15, 1939.

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## Chapter 68

### AN ACT Establishing a Game Preserve in Piscataquis County.

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

R. S., c. 38, additional. Chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered section 85-B, and to read as follows:

'Sec. 85-B. Game preserve established; penalty. No person shall at any time hunt, pursue, molest, trap, catch, shoot at, kill or destroy any wild bird or wild animal within the following described territory; on the property of Louis Oakes; said game sanctuary being in the central part of Big Squaw Mountain township and bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point 50 feet west of the new state highway leading from Greenville Junction, so-called, to Rockwood, said point being about 96 rods south of Upper Squaw Brook highway bridge and marked by a cedar post painted red; thence westerly parallel with the south line of said township 1 mile, 242 rods to a cedar post painted red; thence northerly 2 miles, 103 rods to a cedar post painted red; thence easterly parallel with the south line 1 mile, 145 rods to a cedar post painted red standing 50 feet west of the new state highway mentioned above; thence southerly following the westerly boundary of the Piscataquis and Somerset game preserve to the first mentioned bound; containing 2450 acres more or less. Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100 and costs for each offense, or by imprisonment for 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.'

Approved March 16, 1939.