

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Eighty-ninth Legislature

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**CHAP. 146**

posed to issue securities in such exchange shall have the right to appear and be heard. At least 14 days' notice of any such hearing shall be published or given in such manner as the insurance commissioner may determine to all persons to whom it is proposed to issue securities in such exchange.

Approved March 30, 1939.

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**Chapter 145****AN ACT Relating to Sports and Recreation Centers.**

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

Facilities for winter sports provided for. Any corporation organized under the provisions of chapter 70 of the revised statutes, and which owns, operates and maintains facilities for recreation for the benefit of the people of the state and not as a commercial proposition, may enclose so much of the surface of any great pond, not exceeding 5 acres in area, during the time when said area is covered with ice, as is not being used for ice cutting operations, for the purpose of maintaining on said area facilities for winter sports of any kind; and shall have the right to exclude from said area persons not contributing to the financial support of said corporation, and may make and enforce rules and regulations for the use of said area, for the purpose of insuring the use and enjoyment thereof and the protection of persons using said facilities.

Approved March 30, 1939.

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**Chapter 146****AN ACT Relating to Group Insurance.**

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

P. L., 1935, c. 95, amended. Chapter 95 of the public laws of 1935, as amended by chapter 130 of the public laws of 1937, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

'Any such water district or other quasi-municipal corporation may provide for the retirement and pensioning of its employees, and for such pur-

pose may create and set aside out of its treasury, funds for a reserve or reserves, or it may contract with any insurance company authorized to transact such business within the state and grant annuities for the retirement and pensioning of its employees and for such purposes may agree to pay a part or all of the premiums or annual charges for carrying out such contracts or for creating such annuity reserves.'

Approved March 30, 1939.

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## Chapter 147

### AN ACT Relating to Additional Industrial and Vocational Training in State Institutions.

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

**Industrial and vocational training provided for.** The department of health and welfare shall be, and hereby is, directed to establish and maintain suitable courses for vocational trades and industrial training in the state school for boys at South Portland, and the state reformatory at South Windham, and to install such equipment as may be necessary, and employ such suitable and qualified instructors subject to the approval of the state vocational director as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act. The expenses of carrying out the provisions of this act shall be paid from the appropriations for the above-named institutions.

Approved March 30, 1939.

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## Chapter 148

### AN ACT Relating to Taxation of Radios.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, radios have been taxed as personal property raising revenue of around \$100,000; and

Whereas, this revenue is necessary to maintain the budgets of many towns; and

Whereas, the courts have ruled that radios are exempt from taxation as household furniture; and

Whereas, it is necessary for each town and city to balance its budget; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution