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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-first and Ninety-second Legislatures

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

From April 10, 1943 to April 21, 1945 AND MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS From April 10, 1943 to May 24, 1945

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Ninety-second Legislature

1945

CHAP. 97

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 84, § 132, amended. Section 132 of chapter 84 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and replaced to read as follows:

'Sec. 132. Record of such restriction to be made. When streets, roads, or sidewalks have been so designated under the provisions of section 131, the municipal officers shall cause such designation and such reasonable restrictions as they may adopt to be recorded in the records of the town, and their action shall be in force until modified or annulled by like authority. Police officers and constables shall enforce the provisions of the preceding section.'

Effective July 21, 1945

Chapter 97

AN ACT to Aid in Prevention of Flood Damage.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, at various points on the inland waterways of Maine, there build up in the beds of the rivers and streams accumulations of ice which, if not seasonably removed before freshet season, often constitute virtual dams and cause substantial damage to mills and other private property, bridges and highways; and

Whereas, our laws make no provision for the lawful removal of the same, or for such removal under supervision and with due regard for the property and rights of others; and

Whereas, it is expedient to provide legal means for the removal of the same before the spring freshet season of 1945, particularly in view of wartime limitations upon the availability of labor and materials for repair and replacement following such damage; 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 of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

R. S., c. 40, § 13-A, additional. Chapter 40 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 13-A, to read as follows:

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CHAP. 99

'Sec. 13-A. Removal of ice dams authorized. Whenever, upon application of a municipality, county, state department or agency, private person or corporation, it appears to the satisfaction of the commission that accumulations of ice or debris in the bed of any river or stream above tidewater threaten substantial damage to public or private property, highways or bridges, the commission may grant to the applicant permission to abate the same under the direction of the commission, and subject to such conditions as it shall impose.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective March 23, 1945

Chapter 98

AN ACT Relating to the University of Maine.

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

R. S., c. 37, § III-A, additional. Chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered III-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. III-A. University of Maine as state agency. The University of Maine is declared to be an instrumentality and agency of the state for the purpose for which it was established and for which it has been managed and maintained under the provisions of chapter 532 of the private and special laws of 1865 and supplementary legislation relating thereto.'

Effective July 21, 1945

Chapter 99

AN ACT Relating to Licensing Boarding Homes for Children.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 243, amended. Section 243 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 243. Persons maintaining children's homes to have license. No person, firm, corporation, or association shall conduct or maintain a board-