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Sec. 3. R. S., T. 14, § 6652, amended. The first sentence of section 6652 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

A person in possession of real property, claiming an estate of freehold therein or an unexpired term of not less than 10 years, or a person who has conveyed such property or any interest therein with covenants of title or warranty, upon which he may be liable, may, if he or those under whom he claims or those claiming under him have been in uninterrupted possession of such property for 4 years or more, bring an action in the Superior Court, or in the District Court in the county or district respectively in which said real property lies, by complaint setting forth his estate, describing the premises and averring that an apprehension exists that persons named in the complaint, or persons unknown, claim by continued and uninterrupted use for 20 years or more, by grant, prescription, custom or in any other way, an easement through or on such real property adverse to the estate of the said plaintiff and that such apprehension creates a cloud upon the title and depreciates the market value of such property; and praying that such persons be summoned to show cause why they should not bring an action to determine their legal rights in and to such easement over or upon said real estate.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 14, § 6653, amended. The first and 3rd sentences of section 6653 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes are amended to read as follows:

An action under either section 6651 or 6652 shall be brought in the county where or district respectively in which the real estate lies.

Upon the filing of the complaint the clerk of courts in the county, or the clerk of the District Court in the district respectively where such proceedings are pending shall file a certificate in the registry of deeds in the county or district where said land is situated, setting forth the names of the parties, the date of the complaint and the filing thereof and the description of the real estate as given in the complaint, which said certificate shall be recorded by the register of deeds, who shall receive therefor the same fee as for recording a deed.

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 14, § 6654, amended. The last sentence of section 6654 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Trial of any action brought pursuant to a decree hereunder or of any counterclaim asserting such title or such easement shall be by jury, if brought in the Superior Court, unless waived.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 118

AN ACT Relating to Financial Report of State Housing Authority.

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

R. S., T. 30, § 4766, amended. Section 4766 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 18 of chapter 470 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

§ 4766. Annual report

The director of the state authority shall prepare and submit to the Governor and the Bank Commissioner annually a complete report and a complete financial report duly audited and certified by the auditor of accounts State Department of Audit to be distributed in the same way as state departmental reports.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 119

AN ACT to Extend Unemployment Compensation Benefits during High Periods of Unemployment.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the State is experiencing a high rate of unemployment and a limited labor market; and

Whereas, many who are now unemployed have exhausted their unemployment benefits; and

Whereas, many who are now unemployed and receiving unemployment compensation will exhaust their benefits; and

Whereas, on August 10, 1970 the 91st Congress of the United States enacted Public Law 91-373 cited as the "Employment Security Amendments of 1970"; and

Whereas, said Public Law 91-373 contains provisions relating to the payment of extended unemployment benefits to individuals who are unemployed and who have exhausted their rights to unemployment benefits under the provisions in the state law or the laws of any other state or of the Federal Government; and

Whereas, said Public Law 91-373 provides that the State shall be reimbursed by the Secretary of Labor of the United States an amount equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ of the sum of extended benefits paid to such individuals; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that the following legislation be enacted to extend to the unemployed people of this State a measure of further protection against the serious social consequences and the economic insecurity due to unemployment; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the