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## Chapter 229

### AN ACT Relating to Restitution of Funds Defrauded from Consumers.

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

R. S., T. 5, § 209, amended. The first sentence of section 209 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 577 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

Whenever the Attorney General has reason to believe that any person is using or is about to use any method, act or practice declared by section 207 to be unlawful, and that proceedings would be in the public interest, he may bring an action in the name of the State against such person to restrain by temporary or permanent injunction the use of such method, act or practice and the court may make such other orders or judgments as may be necessary to restore to any person who has suffered any ascertainable loss by reason of the use or employment of such unlawful method, act or practice, any moneys or property, real or personal, which may have been acquired by means of such method, act or practice.

Effective September 23, 1971

## Chapter 230

### AN ACT to Change the Method of Filling Vacancies in Office of Register of Deeds.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 33, § 601, amended. The last sentence of section 601 of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

In the meantime, the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council may fill vacancies by appointment, if there is no deputy register who succeeds to the position of acting register in accordance with section 606, and the person so appointed shall hold his office until the first day of January, next after the election last mentioned.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 33, § 606, repealed and replaced. Section 606 of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

#### § 606. Deputy register as acting register

In case of vacancy in the office of register, in any county or registry district, the deputy register then holding such office pursuant to section 605 shall assume the title of acting register, be sworn as such by a dedimus justice and thereafter perform all duties and services required of a register of deeds during such vacancy, complete all unfinished business, receive the same compensation and be subject to the same liabilities as a register of deeds, and his certificate shall have the same effect as if made by the register. If

the deputy register does not assume the office of acting register within 3 days after the vacancy occurs, or having assumed such office thereafter vacates it, the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council shall appoint an acting register to hold office as provided in section 601.

Effective September 23, 1971

## Chapter 231

### AN ACT Relating to Regulations for Upland Game and Fur-bearing Animals.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 1901, sub-§ 14, amended. Subsection 14 of section 1901 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

14. Open season. "Open season" means the time during which it shall be lawful to take animals, birds and fish as specified and limited by law or lawful regulation.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 1960-A, additional. Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 1960-A to read as follows:

#### § 1960-A. —upland game and fur-bearing animals

1. Upland game defined. For the purposes of this section, the following shall be considered upland game:

Cottontail Rabbit	Snowshoe Hare
Gray Squirrel	Spruce Grouse
Red Squirrel	Wild Turkey
Ring Necked Pheasant	Woodchuck
Ruffed Grouse	

2. Fur-bearing animals defined. For the purposes of this section, the following shall be considered fur-bearing animals:

Beaver	Muskrats
Bobcat	Opossum
Canada Lynx	Otter
Coyote	Raccoon
Fisher	Skunk
Fox	Weasel
Marten	Wolf
Mink	Other nongame wildlife

3. Public hearings; regulations establishing open seasons for hunting of upland game and fur-bearing animals. The commissioner, with the advice and approval of the advisory council, shall, by regulations, establish open seasons for the hunting in this State of upland game and fur-bearing animals,