

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 2703, as amended by PL 1975, c. 295, § 2, is repealed.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 102

AN ACT Concerning the Number of Jurors Serving on Civil Trial Juries.

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

14 MRSA § 1204, last ¶, as amended by PL 1975, c. 41, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The Supreme Judicial Court may by rule provide for the trial of civil actions by juries of 6, 7 or 8 jurors; provided that the parties to a civil action may stipulate that the jury may consist of any number of jurors less than provided by such rule; and provided further that any party to a civil action shall have the right to a jury consisting of 8 jurors if such party so requests before the day of the trial.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 103

AN ACT Concerning the Purchase of School Books.

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

20 MRSA § 856, 1st ¶, last sentence is repealed as follows:

~~No secondhand books shall be purchased for the use of any school, and whoever violates this provision shall forfeit not exceeding \$500, to be recovered in a civil action by any school officer or person aggrieved~~

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 104

AN ACT Concerning Territories Included in Baxter State Park.

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

12 MRSA § 2101, 3rd ¶ is amended to read:

Baxter State Park: The following described tracts of territory situated in the Counties of Penobscot and Piscataquis W. E. L. S. the same being in unorganized townships, to wit: That portion of Township 6, Range 8, Penobscot County in the southwest corner of said township bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of said township thence north along the west line of said township to First Grand or Matagamon Lake; thence easterly, southeasterly and southerly along the western shore of said lake to the point where the said western shore intersects the north line of the Dam Lot, so called, which was conveyed to the East Branch Dam Company by deed dated October 28, 1902 and recorded in Penobscot County Registry of Deeds in book 727, page 335 and reputed to be now owned by the East Branch Improvement Company; thence running west along the north line of said Dam Lot to the northwest corner thereof; thence running south along the west line of said Dam Lot to the southwest corner thereof; thence running east along the south line of said Dam Lot to the East Branch of the Penobscot River; thence running south by said East Branch to a point in the south line of said township where the said East Branch intersects the same; thence running west along the said south line of said township to the southwest corner thereof and the point of beginning; ~~that portion all of Township 3, Range 9, Piscataquis County now the property of the State of Maine: All of Township 4, Range 9, Piscataquis County: All of Township 5, Range 9, Piscataquis County: That portion of Township 6, Range 9, Piscataquis County lying south of Trout Brook and south of Wadleigh Brook and extending from the east line of said township across said township to the west line thereof excepting that part of Trout Brook Farm, so called, containing 136 acres, more or less, which was excepted and reserved from parcel one in a deed of Percival Proctor Baxter to the State of Maine as set forth in chapter 1 of the private and special laws of 1949: All of Township 3, Range 10, Piscataquis County: All of Township 4, Range 10, Piscataquis County: All of Township 5, Range 10, Piscataquis County, excepting therefrom an area of 20 acres in the southwesterly quarter thereof, formerly owned by and belonging to Charles A. Daisey, now owned by Arnold R. Daisey, which was excepted and reserved from a deed from Percival Proctor Baxter to the State of Maine, as set forth in chapter 91 of the private and special laws of 1943. The said within described 8 tracts or parcels of land contain ~~147,542~~ 149,506 acres, more or less.~~

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 105

AN ACT Making Additional Appropriations from the General Fund for the Current Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1977, and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government.

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