

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

## NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE,

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Act when to take effect.

of the several reports made to him by the County Attornies. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of April next.

[Approved by the Governor, March 23, 1839.]

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### Chapter 409.

AN ACT in addition to “an Act further to regulate the fees of County Attorneys.”

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That in all indictments against cities, towns or plantations for neglecting to make or repair any highway or town-way, not tried by the Jury, the fees taxed for the County Attorney shall be three dollars, instead of the fees now by law taxable—and the costs in such cases shall not be taxed until the action is finally disposed of.

Fees on indictments against towns for neglect in repairing highways, not tried by jury.

[Approved by the Governor, March 23, 1839.]

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### Chapter 410.

AN ACT in addition to the several Acts now in force regulating Ferries.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That whenever a safe passage way on the ice across a river at any Ferry cannot be made agreeably to the provisions of the additional act regulating Ferries, passed February tenth, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, without great expense, that in such case it shall be the duty of the Ferryman to make the same at any public landing which

Duty of ferrymen to make passage ways from public landings near ferryways across rivers, in certain cases.

may be sufficiently near to connect conveniently with the opposite ferry-landing; and all the provisions and liabilities provided in the additional act aforesaid, shall apply to the passage way made at such public landing as if made to the ferry landing.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the County Commissioners may, when they judge it expedient, contract with some person or persons to perform the duties devolving on the Ferryman by this act and the additional acts aforesaid, by giving notice thereof to the Ferryman before the closing of the river, and such notice shall exonerate said Ferryman from all the liabilities respecting such passage way on the ice during the ensuing winter, or for such longer period as the contract may be made for, and all the duties and liabilities from which said Ferryman is thus exonerated, shall attach to the person with whom the County Commissioners may have contracted.

County Commissioners may contract with some person to perform certain duties of ferryman in such cases, by giving notice, &c.

Ferryman therefrom exonerated, &c.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 23, 1839.*]

### Chapter 411.

AN ACT for assessing and taxing Turnpikes in the towns through which they pass.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled*, That all Turnpikes in this State, shall be assessed and taxed in the towns wherein the same may lie, in the same manner as real estate.

Turnpikes to be taxed like real estate.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 23, 1839.*]