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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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**CHAP. 123.**

Wanton discharge of fire arms, prohibited.  
Penalty.  
Proviso.

SECT. 13. No person shall wantonly discharge any fire arms in or across any road or street, within the limits aforesaid, under a penalty of fifty cents for every offence: *provided*, that this by law shall not apply to soldiers while under the command of their respective officers.

Fast driving, prohibited.

SECT. 14. If any person shall, within the limits before mentioned, immoderately drive any horse, either with or without a carriage, sled or sleigh, through any of the streets or highways; or shall parade and exercise any stud horse or jack, in any of the principal streets in this village, shall forfeit and pay for each offence, a fine not less than fifty cents, nor more than five dollars.

Forfeiture.

Fines, penalties, &c. how recovered and applied.

SECT. 15. All fines, penalties and forfeitures, provided for, and incurred under these by laws, may be recovered by an action of debt, with costs of suit, or by complaint before any justice of the peace, to be recovered in the name and to the use of the prosecutor, if by action; or if by complaint, to the use of the town of Belfast; and it shall be the duty of the police to carry into effect these by laws, and prosecute for all fines, forfeitures and penalties incurred under the same.

Police to enforce these by laws.

Said town may suspend one or more of the preceding sections.

SECT. 16. The said town, at its annual meeting, in March or April, may suspend any one or more sections of these by laws, by vote of said town, and the same shall remain suspended for one year.

[*Approved March 24, 1843.*]

### Chapter 123.

AN ACT dividing the town of Deer Isle into two districts for election purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled*, as follows:

Deer Isle divided into two elective districts.

SECT. 1. The town of Deer Isle, in the county of Hancock, is hereby divided into two elective districts, for the purpose of holding meetings for the election of representatives, governor, and all other state and county officers.

Limits of districts Nos. 1 and 2.

SECT. 2. All the said town of Deer Isle, except the isle of Haut, shall be one district, and known as district number one: the isle of Haut, in said town, shall be one district, and known as district number two.

Selectmen to issue warrant for town meeting.

SECT. 3. The selectmen of said town by their warrant, shall cause the inhabitants thereof, qualified according to the constitution,

to be notified and warned, in the manner legally established for warning town meetings, to meet in some suitable place in their respective districts, such places to be designated in said warrant, to give in their votes, for such officers as are necessary to be chosen, in districts, as contemplated in this act.

Inhabitants to vote for necessary agents.

SECT. 4. A majority of the selectmen of said town shall preside in district number one, and all meetings in said districts for the choice of state, or county officers, shall be conducted in the same manner as meetings for similar purposes in other towns, are required by law to be conducted, except as otherwise provided in this act.

Presiding officers in district No. 1.

SECT. 5. One selectman of said town at least, shall reside in district number two, who shall preside at such meetings, receive all legal votes, sort and count them in open town meeting and in presence of the clerk pro tempore, who shall make a list of the persons voted for, with the number of votes for each person against his name, and the officers respectively, in open meeting, and in presence of the selectmen, shall make a fair record thereof; a fair copy of this list shall be attested by the selectmen, and clerk pro tempore, sealed up in open meeting, and delivered to the town clerk, within three days after the closing of the polls, and the votes thus thrown shall be deemed as thrown in, and belonging to the town meeting in district number one, where the majority of the selectmen presided in presence of the town clerk.

Presiding officer in district No. 2. His duty.

Clerk to make a list.

List to be attested, &c. and sealed up in open town meeting.

SECT. 6. In district number two, a clerk pro tempore shall be chosen and sworn, in the usual manner, and shall have the same powers and be subject to the same liabilities as other town clerks pro tempore are by law subjected.

Clerk pro tem. to be chosen in district No. 2. Liabilities.

SECT. 7. In case of the absence of the selectmen in either districts at a meeting for elections, as herein provided, selectmen pro tempore may be chosen in the same manner as is by law provided in other towns, with the same powers and liabilities as the selectmen of said town if personally present.

If selectmen are absent others may be chosen pro tem. Powers, &c.

SECT. 8. In all the proceedings in such meetings in each district as is not herein provided for, the same laws are in force as are applicable to meetings in other towns, and all acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

District meetings governed by same laws as town meetings.

[Approved March 24, 1843.]