

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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PUBLIC LAWS

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Chapter 326.**CHAP. 326.**

An act additional to chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes, relating to the state prison.

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

SECT. 1. If any person, not standing in the relation of husband or wife, parent or child to the principal offender, shall conceal, harbor, or in any way aid any convict, knowing him to be such, who shall have escaped from the state prison, or shall furnish such convict any food, clothing, weapon, matches, or any article whatever, or information that would aid such convict to escape recapture, he shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a term of time not more than the whole time for which the convict was sentenced, or by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Offence of aiding convicts escaping from state prison, how punished.

SECT. 2. If any convict has violated or shall violate section thirty-two of chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes, either by assaulting an officer, or other person employed in the government of the prison, by escaping or attempting to escape therefrom, the warden shall certify the fact to the county attorney for the county of Knox, who shall prosecute said convict, that he may be punished in accordance with section thirty-two of the chapter to which this is additional.

Warden to notify county attorney of Knox of offences under chap. 140, sec. 32, R. S.

SECT. 3. The inspectors, with the approval of the governor and council, may fix anew or regulate from time to time the compensation of the various officers of the prison, whenever they shall deem it advantageous to the state to do so.

Compensation of officers, &c.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor.

Approved February 25, 1865.

Chapter 327.

An act requiring notaries public to pay a duty to the state.

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

SECT. 1. No person appointed to the office of notary public, shall enter upon the discharge of his duties until he has paid to the treasurer of state, or of his county, the sum of five dollars.

Duties payable by notaries public.

SECT. 2. Each county treasurer shall account to the state for all sums received by him under the provisions of this act, in the same manner as he is required to account for duties received under the provisions of chapter one hundred and fourteen of the revised statutes.

Co. treasurer to account to state for duties.

CHAP. 328. SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor.

Approved February 25, 1865.

Chapter 328.

An act relating to bounties.

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

Cities, &c.,
authorized to
raise money to
pay bounties,
&c.

SECT. 1. Authority is hereby conferred upon cities, towns and plantations, to raise money, and pay bounties, or other aid, to persons entering the military or naval service of the United States, upon their quotas, under any call hereafter made by the president of the United States.

Amount of
bounty author-
ized to be
paid.

SECT. 2. No such bounty shall exceed the sum of three hundred dollars for the first year the person so entering shall be mustered or drafted for, and one hundred dollars for each additional year, not exceeding three years; all acts of cities, towns and plantations granting any excess of this sum shall be utterly void as to such excess.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved February 25, 1865.

Chapter 329.

An act to simplify indictments in capital cases.

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

Indictments for
murder and
manslaughter,
what allega-
tions sufficient.

SECT. 1. In any indictment for murder or manslaughter, it shall not be necessary to set forth the manner in which or the means by which the death of the deceased was caused, but it shall be sufficient in every indictment for murder to charge that the defendant did feloniously, wilfully and of his malice aforethought, kill and murder the deceased; and it shall be sufficient in every indictment for manslaughter, to charge that the defendant did feloniously kill and slay the deceased.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 25, 1865