

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1878.

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**Chapter 34.**

An act additional to chapter forty-nine of the Revised Statutes, relating to Life Insurance.

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

No life insurance company organized or incorporated under the laws of this state, shall be permitted to re-insure its risks except by permission of the insurance commissioner ; but nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent any life insurance company from re-insuring a fractional part, not exceeding one-half of any individual risk.

Life insurance companies not to re-insure risks except by permission of commissioner.

—may re-insure fractional part.

Approved February 15, 1878,

**Chapter 35.**

An act to amend chapter two hundred and thirty-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, concerning Tax Titles.

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

SECT. 1. Chapter two hundred and thirty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, is hereby amended by adding the words 'or treasurer's,' after the word "collector's" in the sixth line of the first section ; also by adding the words, 'or treasurer' after the word "collector," in the fifteenth line of said section, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows :

Ch. 234, public laws 1874, amended.

'SECT. 1. Sections one hundred and sixty-two and one hundred and seventy-four of chapter six of the revised statutes, are each amended so as to read as follows : In any trial at law or in equity involving the validity of any sale of real estate for non-payment of taxes, it shall be sufficient for the party claiming under it, in the first instance, to produce in evidence the collector's or treasurer's deed, duly executed and recorded, and then he shall be entitled to judgment in his favor unless the party contesting such sale shall prove to the court that he, or the person under whom he claims, has paid or tendered the amount of all such taxes, and the legal charges and interest thereon, and all costs of suit, and then he may be admitted to prosecute or defend, but if the other party then produces in addition to the deed as aforesaid the

Secs. 162 and 174, ch. 6, R. S., amended.

Validity of sale of real estate for taxes.

—Judgments.

CHAP. 36. assessments signed by the assessors and their warrant to the collector, and proves that such collector or treasurer complied with the requirements of the law in advertising and selling such real estate, he shall have judgment in his favor.'

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

Approved February 19, 1878.

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### Chapter 36.

An act relating to Malicious Mischief.

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

Punishment for corrupting waters used for domestic purposes.

SECT. 1. Whoever willfully or maliciously poisons, defiles, or in any way corrupts the water of any well, spring, brook or reservoir used for domestic purposes, shall be punished by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and by imprisonment not more than one year.

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

Approved February 19, 1878.

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### Chapter 37.

An act to amend section two of chapter eighty-nine of the Revised Statutes, relating to Reviews.

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

Sec. 2, ch. 89, R. S., amended.

Section two of chapter eighty-nine of the revised statutes, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Petition for review may be signed by attorney.

—proceedings.

'SECT. 2. A petition for review may be signed by the petitioner's attorney when the facts therein stated are known to him, and the petitioner is out of the state at the time of filing it; and the petition may be inserted in a writ of attachment, and property attached thereon, the same as on other writs; and notice thereon may be ordered by the supreme judicial court or any justice thereof in term time or vacation, returnable in the county where the judgment was rendered, and it must be given accordingly.'

Approved February 19, 1878.