

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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Chapter 195.**CHAP. 195**

An act in relation to sureties upon official bonds, defending in suits against their principal.

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

SECT. 1. Sureties upon official bonds may appear and defend, in suits against their principal, whenever such sureties may ultimately be liable upon such bonds.

When sureties on official bond may defend in suits against principal.

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

Approved March 5, 1880.

Chapter 196.

An act additional to the several acts establishing the County of Piscataquis.

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

SECT. 1. All officers within and for the county of Piscataquis, having authority to commit any prisoner or debtor to jail, shall be authorized and required for the term of ten years from and after the passage of this act, if the county of Piscataquis shall so long remain without a jail within its own limits, to commit prisoners or debtors to the jail in the county of Penobscot, in the same manner and with as ample authorization as like officers in said county of Penobscot are by law authorized and required to do ; and the keeper of the jail in said county of Penobscot is hereby authorized and required to receive and detain in his custody all such prisoners and debtors. *Provided, however,* that the county of Piscataquis shall be liable to the county of Penobscot for all expenses and damages which shall accrue from any and all such commitments ; and provided, also, that in case of disagreement between the boards of county commissioners of said counties, as to compensation to be received by said county of Penobscot for the use of its jail as aforesaid, any judge of the supreme judicial court shall, upon written application of either board, after notice and hearing, fix said compensation, and his determination shall be final and conclusive in the premises.

Prisoners in Piscataquis county may be committed to jail in Penobscot.

Proviso.

Expenses to be paid by Piscataquis county.

—how adjusted.

CHAP. 197

Doings of officers
made valid and
legal.

SECT. 2. All acts and doings of officers of the county of Piscataquis since February four, eighteen hundred and eighty, in committing prisoners and debtors to the jail in Penobscot county, and all acts and doings of the keeper of said jail in the county of Penobscot, in receiving and detaining said prisoners and debtors, which are in other respects legal, are hereby made as valid and legal as they would have been if performed at any time during the previous five years.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 5, 1880.

Chapter 197.

An act to provide for Danger Signals on Railroads in certain cases.

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

Danger signals to
be placed on rail-
road tracks where
disconnected cars
are left standing.

SECT. 1. No car or cars, disconnected from a train, shall be left or permitted to remain standing on the main track of any railroad in this state, unless accompanied by danger signals, such as flagging by day and lanterns by night, placed at such distances therefrom, on the main line of the road, as will insure safety to and from moving trains, such signals to be in charge of and constantly attended by employees of the corporation owning or operating the road.

Penalty for viola-
tion of sec. 1.

SECT. 2. If any railroad corporation shall violate any of the provisions of section one of this act, it shall forfeit for each offense, one hundred dollars to the use of the state, to be recovered in an action of the case, or by complaint and indictment in any court having competent jurisdiction; and it shall be the duty of the attorney general to prosecute for the recovery of such forfeiture. The provisions of this act shall not apply to horse railroads.

Attorney general
shall prosecute.
Exception.

Approved March 6, 1880.