

ACTS AND RESOLVES

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SIXTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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Judge shall keep all records. stationery and other things necessary in the transaction of its business, and said city shall have authority to raise money for that purpose and for the payment of the salary of the judge.

'SECT. 12. The records of said court and of the municipal court as formerly existing in said city shall be deposited with and kept by the judge, and said municipal court shall have jurisdiction thereof and full power and authority to issue and renew executions and other processes and carry into effect the judgments and decrees heretofore rendered by said former municipal court, and to certify and authenticate the records thereof, and shall for reasonable fees grant and certify copies of the records of both courts when required, which shall be evidence of the contents of such records in any legal proceedings, and have the same legal and probative force and effect as those of the supreme judicial court.

All fines and fees shall be paid over to the city. 'SECT. 13. All fines and penalties awarded aud collected by said court in criminal cases shall be accounted for and paid over monthly; and all fees in both civil and criminal cases received by said court shall be paid monthly into the city treasury for the use of said city.

'SECT. 14. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.'

Approved March 25, 1895.

Chapter 136.

An Act to compel Husbands and Fathers to contribute to the support of Wives and Children.

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

A hnsband and father, living apart from his family, may be compelled to contribute to support of wife or minor children, Whenever a man, having a wife, a minor child, or both, residing in this state, and from whom he lives apart, and being of sufficient ability, or being able to labor and provide for them, willfully and without reasonable cause, refuses or neglects to provide suitable maintenance for them, the supreme judicial court in the county where the wife or children reside, on petition of the wife for herself, and for such children, or of such children by their guardian, after such notice to the husband or father as it may order, and hearing, may order him to contribute to the support of his wife, if the

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separation was without her fault, and to the support of such CHAP. 137 children, such sums payable weekly, monthly or quarterly, as is deemed reasonable and just, and may enforce obedience by appropriate decrees.

Approved March 25, 1895.

Chapter 137.

An Act relating to chapter seventy of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, concerning sales of land for non-payment of Taxes.

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

The provisions of chapter seventy of the public Sect. 1. laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to sales of land for non-payment of taxes, approved March six, eighteen taxes assessed in April, 1895. hundred and ninety-five, shall apply to all taxes assessed on or after April one, eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

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

Approved March 25, 1895.

Chapter 138.

An Act to authorize the appointment of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States.

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

Within thirty days after the passage of this act, SECT. 1. the governor shall appoint, by and with the consent of the council, three commissioners, who are hereby constituted a board of commissioners by the name and style of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States. It shall be the duty of said board to examine the subjects of marriage and divorce, insolvency, the form of -powers and duties. notarial certificates, descent and distribution of property, the acknowledgment of deeds, execution and probate of wills, and other subjects; to ascertain the best means to affect an assimilation and uniformity in the laws of the states, and especially to consider whether it would be wise and practicable to join with the other states of the union in sending

Appointment of commissioners for promotion of uniformity of legislation.