

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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may select, for use in their office, to be paid for out of the appropriation for fish hatcheries and feeding stations and from funds received from licenses and fines. They are also authorized to procure the services of attorneys at law to prosecute violations of the fish and game laws, and to pay them a reasonable compensation therefor out of such funds. The annual report of the commissioners of inland fisheries and game shall be printed once in two years.

—may employ attorneys.

—annual report.

Section 8. The close time for fishing in all streams in Franklin county shall be from October first of each year until the ice is out of the stream fished in the following spring, during which close time it shall be unlawful to fish for, take, catch or kill any kind of fish.

Close time for fishing in Franklin county.

Section 9. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Section 10. Trial justices, police and municipal courts within their counties shall have, upon complaint, original and concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme and superior courts in all prosecutions under any inland fish and game law.

Court jurisdiction.

Approved March 16, 1909

### Chapter 91.

An Act to amend Section twenty-eight of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the Municipal Officers of Towns.

*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

Section 1. Paragraph three of section twenty-eight of chapter fifteen is hereby amended by striking out the words "last school year" in line two of said paragraph of said section and inserting in place thereof the words 'preceding fiscal year of the town;' paragraph four of section twenty-eight is hereby amended by adding thereto the words 'at the expiration of the preceding fiscal year of the town;' so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

Paragraph 3, section 28, chapter 15, R. S., amended.

Section 28. The assessors or municipal officers of each town, shall, on or before the first day of each May, make to the state superintendent of public schools, a certificate, under oath, embracing the following items:

Annual school returns to state superintendent.

I. The amount voted by the town for the common schools at the preceding annual meeting.

II. The amount of school moneys payable to the town from the state treasury during the year ending with the first day of the preceding April.

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III. The amount of money actually expended for common schools during the preceding fiscal year of the town.

IV. The amount of school moneys unexpended at the expiration of the preceding fiscal year of the town.

V. Answers to such inquiries as are presented to secure a full and complete statement of school revenues and expenditures.'

Approved March 16, 1909.

### Chapter 92.

An Act additional to Chapter one hundred forty-four of the Revised Statutes, providing for the recovery of money improperly paid by the State for the Support of Insane Paupers.

*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

Trustees  
may recover  
money im-  
properly  
paid by  
state for  
support  
of insane  
paupers.

The trustees of the hospitals for the insane may, in their discretion, investigate, or cause to be investigated, the allegations contained in any certificate provided for in section eighteen of chapter one hundred forty-four of the revised statutes, and should such investigation disclose the fact that any person or municipality was, or may be, lawfully liable for the support of the insane person mentioned in any such certificate, then it shall be the duty of said trustees to collect, by action in the name of the state, if necessary, all sums which have been paid by the state to the hospital for board of such insane person from the person or municipality lawfully liable as aforesaid to pay for the support of such insane person, and thereafter the state shall not be required to pay to said hospital the sum mentioned in said section eighteen so long as the liability of any person or municipality to support such insane person may lawfully exist. All moneys connected under the provisions of this act shall be forthwith turned over to the state treasurer, who shall receipt for the same; and the expenses of the collection of said moneys shall be charged against and paid out of any sums so collected and turned over, and all bills for such expenses shall be audited by the state auditor and paid out of the state treasury upon the certificate of the state auditor issued therefor and provided by law.

—money  
collected  
shall be  
paid to  
state  
treasurer.  
—expenses  
of collecting,  
how paid.

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