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Chapter 99.

An Act to amend Section sixty-one of Chapter forty-one of the Revised Statutes of nineteen hundred and three, relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries.

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

Section sixty-one of chapter forty-one of the revised statutes of nineteen hundred and three is hereby amended by striking out all after the word "advisable" in the seventh line and inserting in place thereof the words 'all fines, penalties and collections under this chapter, except when otherwise expressly provided, shall forthwith be paid to the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries and by him be paid to the treasurer of state to be added to and made a part of the appropriation for sea and shore fisheries,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Section 61, amended.

'Section 61. All fines and penalties under this chapter may be recovered by complaint, indictment or action of debt made or brought in the county where the offense was committed. The action of debt shall be brought in the name of the commissionr of sea and shore fisheries, and all offenses under. or violations of, the provisions of this statute, may be settled by the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries, upon such terms and conditions as he deems advisable. All fines, penalties and collections under this chapter, except when otherwise expressly provided, shall forthwith be paid to the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries and by him be paid to the treasurer of state to be added to and made a part of the appropriation for sea and shore fisheries. And the commissioner shall report to the state treasurer the amount of each fine, penalty and collection sioner shall report to itemized and the name of the party paying the same which treasurer. shall be kept on record in the treasurer's office.'

Fines and penalties, covered.

-settlement of offenses.

how fines shall be disposed of.

-commis-

Approved March 18, 1909.

Chapter 100.

An Act for the safeguarding of Schools against danger from Fire. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Any building which is used in whole or in part as a school house shall be provided with proper egresses or other means of escape from fire sufficient for the use of all persons therein accommodated. These egresses and means of escape shall he kept unobstructed, in good repair and ready for use.

houses shall be provided with proper exits.

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-stairways.

—doors and

—school building of more than one story.

—when municipal officers shall correct defects.

Stairways on the outside of the building shall have suitable railed landings at each story above the first, accessible at each story from doors or windows and such stairways; doors or windows shall be kept clean of snow, ice and other obstruc-In school buildings of more than one story there shall be at least two separate means of egress by inside or outside stairway, and each story above the first shall be supplied with means of extinguishing fire consisting of pails of water or other portable apparatus, or of a hose attached to a suitable water supply and such appliance shall be kept at all times ready for use and in good condition. Upon written notification by the superintending school committee that any school building does not meet the specifications herein named, the municipal officers of the town shall at once proceed to correct the defects, and any failure so to act shall render the town liable to the provisions of section sixteen of chapter fifteen of the revised statutes.

Approved March 18, 1909.

Chapter 101.

An Act to amend Section nine, Chapter fifty-five of the Revised Statutes, relative to Telegraph and Telephone Companies issuing coupon or registered bonds.

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

Section 9, Chapter 55, R. S., amended. Section nine of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes of Maine pertaining to telegraph and telephone companies is hereby amended by inserting after the words "floating debt" in the fourth line thereof the following words: 'retiring previous bond issues.' Also by adding after the word "issued" in the eleventh line thereof the words 'unless to be retired by the new issue,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

May issue bonds, and mortgage property and franchises. 'Section 9. Any corporation organized under the provisions of this chapter, by vote at a meeting of its stockholders called for the purpose, may issue coupon or registered bonds to provide means for constructing its lines and plant, funding its floating debt, retiring previous bond issues, or for the payment of money borrowed for any lawful purpose, and may mortgage or pledge as security for the payment of the principal and interest of such bonds, a part or all of its property and franchise. Such bonds may be issued in sums not less than one hundred dollars each, payable at periods not exceeding twenty years from the date thereof, and bearing interest not