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Chapter 147.

An Act to amend Section thirty-two of Chapter eight of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter one hundred and fifty-six of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and seven, relating to excise tax on palace or other cars, for which extra compensation is charged for riding therein.

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

Section thirty-two of chapter eight of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and fifty-six of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seven, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "four and one-half" in the sixth line and inserting in place thereof the word 'six'; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Section 32, R. S., as amended by chapter 156, public laws, 1907, further amended.

'Section 32. Every corporation or person owning or operating palace or other cars for which extra compensation is charged for riding therein over any of the railroads of the state shall annually on the first day of September, pay to the treasurer of state for the use of the state an annual excise tax for the privilege of exercising its franchises in the state, equal to six per cent of its or his gross receipts from business done wholly in the state, for the year ending June thirtieth next preceding.'

Rate of excise tax fixed.

Approved March 26, 1909.

Chapter 148.

An Act to amend Section fifty-six of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the conveyance of pupils in secondary schools.

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

Section fifty-six of chapter fifteen is hereby amended by inserting between the word "town" and the word "towns" in the sixth line thereof the following 'any town may, in addition to the sums raised for the support of high and common schools, raise and appropriate a sum for the payment of conveyance of pupils attending secondary schools, said sum to be expended under the direction of the superintending school committee;' so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

Section 56, chapter 15, R. S., amended.

'Section 56. Any town may establish and maintain not exceeding two free high schools; and in such case shall receive the same state aid as if the expenditures of both schools had been made for one. Two or more adjoining towns may unite in establishing and maintaining a free high school, and both shall receive the same state aid as if such school had been maintained by one town. Any town may, in addition to the

Free high schools, towns may establish two.

—adjoining towns may maintain schools.

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—may provide for conveyance of pupils.

—towns shall receive and expend gifts and bequests.

—when funds surrendered by academies entitled to state aid.

—penalty for misapplying money appropriated by state.

sums raised for the support of high and common schools, raise and appropriate a sum for the payment of conveyance of pupils attending secondary schools, said sum to be expended under the direction of the superintending school committee. Towns shall receive in trust and faithfully expend gifts and bequests made to aid in the maintenance of free high schools, and shall receive aid in such cases to the same extent and on the same conditions as if such schools had been established and maintained by taxation; and any town shall receive such state aid on any expenditure for a free high school or schools, made from the funds or proceeds of the real estate of an academy or incorporated institution of learning, surrendered or transferred to such town for educational purposes, but if any part of the money so paid by the state, is expended for any other purpose than the support of such free high schools, as provided by this section, then each person so misapplying said money forfeits double the sum so misapplied, to be recovered in an action of debt, in the name and to the use of the town, by any inhabitant thereof; and no town shall receive further support from the state for any free high school, until the amount so received, but misapplied, has been raised and expended for such free high schools by such town.'

Approved March 26, 1909.

Chapter 149.

An Act to amend Chapter forty-eight, Section twenty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to Investments of Savings Banks.

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

Chapter 48, section 23, subdivision 3, clause f, R. S., as amended by section 4, chapter 69, public laws, 1907, further amended. Clause f.

Section 1. Chapter forty-eight, section twenty-three subdivision third, clause (f) of the revised statutes, as amended by section four, chapter sixty-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seven, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

'f: In the bonds of street railroads constructed in this state prior to April twenty-seven, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and in bonds of street railroads in this state constructed after said date, and in the first mortgage bonds of any completed street railroad in the states of New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska; provided, that in the case of street railroads constructed in this state after April twenty-seven,