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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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with that imposed by this chapter, shall be subject only to such portion of the tax imposed hereunder as may be in excess of such tax imposed by the laws of such state or country.'

Approved April 1, 1909.

### Chapter 188.

An Act additional to Chapter one hundred thirty-five of the Revised Statutes, relating to Witnesses in Criminal Proceedings.

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

When an indictment has been returned into court, any justice of the supreme judicial or superior court may order the material witnesses against the respondent or respondents named in the indictment to recognize with sufficient sureties to appear and testify at the trial of said indictment in said court; and if said witnesses refuse or fail to recognize they may be committed to prison and remain until discharged by law, and such justice may issue capias to bring such witness before the court to give his recognizance, or upon failure or refusal so to recognize to be committed as aforesaid.

When indictment has been returned, court may order witnesses against respondent to recognize with sureties.

Approved April 1, 1909.

### Chapter 189.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to Coroners' Inquests and the appointment of Medical Examiners.

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

Section 1. Chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sections:

Chapter 140, R. S., amended.

'Section 14. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint for a term of four years, for each county in the state, one or more able and discreet men, learned in the science of medicine and anatomy, to be medical examiners in said county.'

Medical examiners, appointment and tenure.

'Section 15. All medical examiners shall be bona fide residents of the county for which they are appointed.'

Shall be resident of the county.

'Section 16. Whenever a medical examiner is notified by the attorney general, county attorney for his county, or any coroner of his county that any person has come to his death by violence and that an autopsy is necessary, he shall

Duty of medical examiner.