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Chapter 198.

An Act for the equalization of School Privileges.

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

Section 1. The treasurer of state shall immediately after the first day of July, nineteen hundred and ten, and annually thereafter deduct the sum of twenty thousand dollars from the state school funds and the same shall be set aside and denominated the school equalization fund which shall be distributed in the manner hereinafter provided.

School
equalization
fund set
aside.

Section 2. Every town which raises for the support of common schools four mills or more on its valuation as fixed by the state assessors shall receive the following year from the school equalization fund herein provided a sum equal to ten per cent of its apportionment of the state school funds for the preceding year. Such portion of the school equalization fund as any town may be entitled to receive shall be paid by the treasurer of state at the same time and in the same manner prescribed for the payment of state school funds. The state superintendent of public schools shall annually, on or before July first, file with the treasurer of state a list of towns entitled to receive the benefits of this act. The first apportionment under the provision of this act shall be made immediately after the first day of July, nineteen hundred and ten.

School
equaliza-
tion fund,
how dis-
tributed.

Section 3. All of the school equalization fund not distributed nor expended during the financial year shall at its close be added to the permanent school fund.

Fund not
expended,
how dis-
posed of.

Approved April 1, 1909.

Chapter 199.

An Act to provide for a bounty on Bob Cat, Loup-cervier and Canada Lynx.

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

A bounty of two dollars for every bob cat, loup-cervier and Canada lynx killed in any town shall be paid by the state treasurer to the person killing it upon compliance with the following conditions:

Bounty on
bob cats,
loup-cervier
and Canada
lynx.

No bounty shall be paid unless the claimant, within five days after he has killed such animal, or has returned from the hunting in which he killed it, exhibits to the town treasurer the entire skin thereof with the ears, nose and tail thereon in as perfect a state as when killed, except natural decay, and signs and makes oath to a certificate which said treasurer may adminis-

—proof of
killing re-
quired.

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ter, in which he shall state that he killed such animal and the time and place, which shall be within the state, and the treasurer shall thereupon cut off the whole of the tail from such skin and forward the same by mail to the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, at Augusta, Maine, and also forward to the state auditor the claimant's certificate, which certificate shall be in the following form:

Claimant's certificate.

Form of certificate.

To the treasurer of the town of

I hereby certify that on the day of A. D. 19 , at in the state of Maine, I killed the bob cat, loup-cervier or Canada lynx, the skin of which I now exhibit to you, and I claim the bounty allowed by law for killing the same.

Dated at this day of A. D. 19

Claimant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and year aforesaid.

Treasurer of

And the treasurer of said town shall make and send at once to the state auditor a certificate which shall be in the following form:

Town Treasurer's Certificate.

Treasurer's certificate.

To the state auditor:

I hereby certify that as required by law, of on the day of A. D. 19 , at exhibited to me the whole of the skin of a bob cat, loup-cervier or Canada lynx, and signed and made oath to the following certificate:

To the treasurer of the town of

I hereby certify that on the day of A. D. 19 , at in the state of Maine, I killed the bob cat, loup-cervier or Canada lynx, the skin of which I now exhibit to you, and I claim the bounty allowed by law for killing the same.

Dated at this day of A. D. 19

Claimant.

I further certify that I cut off the whole of the tail from the skin of the bob cat, loup-cervier or Canada lynx described in the certificate and forwarded the same to the commissioners of inland fisheries and game at Augusta, Maine.

Dated at this day of A. D. 19

Treasurer of the town of

Subscribed and sworn to the day and year aforesaid.

Justice of the Peace.

Bounty, how paid.

Upon receipt by the state auditor of the treasurer's certificate and the claimant's certificate for bounty as herein speci-

fied, the state auditor, before ordering the bounty paid as provided by law, shall have received from the commissioners of inland fisheries and game a certificate that said commissioners have received the tail of the bob cat, loup-cervier or Canada lynx from the treasurer sent as aforesaid, whereupon the state auditor shall audit the claim for bounty and the same shall be paid forthwith by the state treasurer to the claimant from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The town treasurer for making oath to a claimant's certificate as above, and for forwarding the tail of the animal to the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, shall be paid by the claimant the sum of twenty-five cents.

—fee payable to town treasurer.

Approved April 1, 1909.

Chapter 200.

An Act to amend Section thirteen of Chapter four of the Revised Statutes, relating to choice of Road Commissioner in Towns.

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

Section thirteen of chapter four of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "elect" in the first line thereof the words 'and all towns with over sixty-five hundred inhabitants shall elect,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Sec. 13, ch. 4, R. S., amended.

'Section 13. Each town at its annual meeting may elect and all towns with over sixty-five hundred inhabitants shall elect by major vote a road commissioner, who shall hold his office for the term of one year from the date of his election. Any town may, at its option, elect not more than three commissioners, whose powers and duties shall be the same as prescribed for a single commissioner. No person shall, at the same time, hold the office of road commissioner and selectman.'

Election of road commissioner.

—selectman not to be road commissioner.

Approved April 1, 1909.

Chapter 201.

An Act to amend Chapter thirty of the Revised Statutes, relating to Apothecaries and the Sale of Poisons.

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

Section 1. Section seven of chapter thirty of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out in the sixth line of section seven and by inserting in place thereof the word 'four,' also by inserting after the word "pharmacy" in the

Sec. 7, ch. 30, R. S., amended.