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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1909

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box or wrapper containing the article sold a label of red paper, upon which shall be printed in large letters the word "poison," and also the word "antidote," and the name and place of business of the vendor. The name of an antidote, if there be any, for the poison sold, shall also be upon the label. Every neglect to affix such label to such poisonous article sold before the delivery thereof to the purchaser shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars. Whoever purchases poisons as aforesaid and gives a false or fictitious name to the vendor shall be punished by fine not exceeding fifty dollars. But nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to wholesale dealers or to manufacturing chemists in their sales to retail trade, nor to the general merchant, nor to a firm or corporation in trade, who may sell in unbroken packages prepared by the manufacturers, Paris green, London purple or other poisonous preparations or compounds used for the destruction of bugs, beetles, insects, slugs, grubs, caterpillars or worms. Upon each and every package so sold shall be printed in large letters the word "poison." Every neglect to affix such label with the word "poison" thereon to such poisonous article before the delivery thereof to the purchaser shall be punished by fine not exceeding fifty dollars.'

without prescription, must show the word "poison," and the antidote.

—penalty for neglect to affix label.

—section 17 does not apply to wholesale dealers, chemists, or firms selling in unbroken packages, Paris green, London purple, etc.

—word "poison" shall appear on every package.

—penalty for neglect to affix label.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Section 7. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved April 1, 1909.

### Chapter 202.

An Act to provide for Competitive Bids in the award of State Contracts for Construction and Repair of Buildings and Bridges.

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

Section 1. On and after August first, nineteen hundred nine, all contracts for construction or repairs of buildings at the expense of the state involving a total cost of more than three thousand dollars, shall be awarded by a system of competitive bids in accordance with the provisions of this act and such other conditions and restrictions as the governor and council may from time to time provide.

Competitive bids for contracts for state work.

Section 2. The trustees, commissioners, or other persons in charge of such construction shall advertise for sealed proposals not less than two weeks in such papers as the governor and council may direct. The last advertisement to be at least one week before the time named therein for the closing of such bids. Sealed proposals submitted in accordance with such

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advertisement shall be addressed to the trustees, commissioners, or other persons having the construction in charge and shall remain sealed until opened in the presence of a committee of the governor's council at such time as the governor and council may direct:

Contracts for construction of bridges, how awarded.

Section 3. On and after August first, nineteen hundred nine, whenever any bridge within the state is to be constructed or repaired, the cost of which construction or repair shall amount to one thousand dollars or more, and the cost of such construction or repairs is to be paid wholly or in part by the state, the contract for the same shall be awarded as follows: The state highway commissioner, county commissioners or municipal officers within the county where said new construction or repairs are to be made shall advertise for sealed proposals not less than two weeks in such papers as the state commissioner of highways may direct, the last advertisement to be at least one week before the time named therein for the closing of such bids. Sealed proposals submitted in accordance with said advertisement shall be addressed to the state highway commissioner or county commissioners having the construction in charge and shall remain sealed until opened in the presence of said commissioner or commissioners at such times as the state highway commissioner may direct.

Bond for faithful performance of contract.

Section 4. No contracts shall be awarded unless its faithful performance shall be secured to the state by a bond in penal sum of not less than twenty per cent of the amount of the contract. Such bond shall be payable to the state of Maine and shall be deposited with the state treasurer.

Approved April 1, 1909.

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### Chapter 203.

An Act to provide for the transfer of Patients in Insane Hospitals to the Maine School for Feeble Minded.

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

Transfer of feeble minded from insane hospitals to Maine school for feeble minded.

The trustees of either insane hospital are hereby authorized to transfer feeble minded persons, supported entirely at public expense, who are now or may be hereafter in said insane hospitals, to the Maine School for Feeble Minded, whenever in their judgment the welfare of the patients transferred will be promoted thereby. A copy of the certificate of commitment to the hospital in which said patient has been confined, certified by the superintendent of such hospital, together with a certificate of the superintendent declaring said patient to be feeble