

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1909

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thousand seven hundred dollars for each year instead of the sum of thirty thousand seven hundred dollars for each year, as provided in said resolve, with the same effect as if the sum of twenty-six thousand seven hundred dollars had been set forth in said resolve.

Section 2. In view of the emergency expressed in the preamble of this act, this act shall take effect when approved.

When act shall take effect.

Approved April 2, 1909.

**Chapter 234.**

An Act relating to the assessment of the County Taxes in the several counties for the year nineteen hundred nine.

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

Whereas the assessment of the county taxes for defraying the expenses of government of the several counties is immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; and

Whereas by revised statutes, chapter nine, section seventy-one, said county taxes are required to be apportioned by the county commissioners in March; and

Whereas the resolve granting the county taxes was not passed until March twenty-ninth, leaving only two days in March for the making of such apportionment, which is insufficient time for the purpose; in the opinion of this legislature the facts above recited constitute an emergency rendering it immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety that the act should be passed extending a time for such apportionment; therefore,

Emergency statement.

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

Section 1. County taxes of the several counties for the year nineteen hundred and nine may be apportioned either during the months of March or April of said year upon the last state valuation.

Taxes may be apportioned in March or April.

Section 2. In view of the emergency expressed in the preamble of this act, this act shall take effect when approved.

When act shall take effect.

Approved April 2, 1909.

**Chapter 235.**

An Act to amend Chapter nine of the Revised Statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes on lands in places not incorporated.

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

Section forty-two of chapter nine of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter sixty-nine of the public laws of nineteen

Section 42, chapter 9, R. S., as amended by

## CHAP. 236

chapter 69,  
public laws,  
1906, fur-  
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amended.  
Treasurer  
of state  
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hundred five, is hereby further amended, so as to read as follows:

'Section 42. When the legislature assesses such state tax, the treasurer of state shall, within three months thereafter, cause the lists of such assessments, together with the amounts of county tax on said lands so certified to him, both for the current year, to be advertised for three weeks successively in the state paper, and in some newspaper, if any, printed in the county in which the land lies, and shall cause like advertisement of the lists of such state and county taxes for the following year to be made within three months after one year from such assessment. Said lands are held to the state for payment of such state and county taxes, with interest thereon at the rate of twenty per cent to commence upon the taxes for the year for which such assessment is made at the expiration of six months and upon the taxes for the following year at the expiration of eighteen months from the date of such assessment.'

Approved April 2, 1909.

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### Chapter 236.

An Act to regulate the use of joint poles in the public streets by Electrical Companies.

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

Location of  
joint poles  
in public  
streets may  
be regulat-  
ed by  
municipal  
officers.

Section 1. Whenever, after notice and hearing, the municipal officers of any city or town, in which any person, firm or corporation maintaining wires attached to poles located in any public street or way for conveying electric current or for the transmission of telephone or telegraph messages, determine that public safety and the public welfare require the same to be done, they may revoke any locations for poles already erected in any of the public streets or ways and order such poles removed, which shall be done within a reasonable time by the person, firm or corporation owning such poles, provided, however, other suitable locations, or the right to use other poles jointly, shall be granted by the municipal officers to such person, firm or corporation. The municipal officers of cities and towns are hereby empowered, whenever in their judgment the same is practical and can be done without unreasonably interfering with the operation of the business of any person, firm or corporation, to order, after due notice and hearing, the wires of any person, firm or corporation, used for conveying electrical current or the transmission of telephone or telegraph messages and

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