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**Chapter 93.**

CHAP. 93

An Act Relative to the Retirement of Veterans of the Civil War in the Service of the State.

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

A veteran of the civil war, in the service of the state, who has been in such service continuously for twenty-five years, if incapacitated for active duty shall be retired from active service, at one-half the rate of compensation paid to him at such retirement, to be paid out of the treasury of the state.

Veterans of civil war in state service for 25 years may be retired on half pay.

Approved March 25, 1913.

**Chapter 94.**

An Act Providing for the Appointment of Two Delegates to a New England Railroad Conference, and the Payment of Their Expenses.

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

Section 1. The governor, by and with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint two citizens of this state as members of a New England railroad conference, to act in conjunction with the appointees of the governors of the other New England states; to consider and report on the best methods of developing and operating the New England railroad systems.

Governor shall appoint two delegates to attend N. E. R. R. conference.

Section 2. Said commissioners shall serve without pay but shall receive actual necessary expenses while engaged in the work of the commission.

Commissioners shall serve without pay.

Section 3. The sum of five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated towards defraying the general clerical expenses attending the meetings of the conference.

Appropriation for expenses.

Approved March 25, 1913.

**Chapter 95.**

An Act to Amend Section Fifty-one of Chapter Seventy-nine of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Seven and Nineteen Hundred Eleven, Relating to Trial Terms of the Supreme Judicial Court.

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

Section 1. The fifth paragraph of section fifty-one of chapter seventy-nine of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "fourth" in the second line and inserting in place thereof the word 'second', so that the said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

Paragraph 5 of Sec. 51, Chap. 79, R. S., amended.

## CHAP. 95

Trial courts,  
—Franklin.

'Franklin, at Farmington, on the first Tuesday of February, third Tuesday of May, and the second Tuesday of September; the May term shall be held without a grand jury and with but one traverse jury, unless a justice of said court shall otherwise specially order, in which case the clerk shall send venires for the requisite number of traverse jurors, and shall summon the grand jury of the preceding term, as the terms of said order may require. All recognizances from municipal courts and trial justices in which parties are held to await the action of the grand jury, made returnable to said May term, shall, when no grand jury is in attendance, be continued to and have day in the next term of the court held in said county.'

The seventh paragraph of said section is hereby amended by striking out the word "third" in the first line and inserting in place thereof the word 'second,' so that said paragraph shall read as follows:

—Kennebec.

'Kennebec, at Augusta, on the first Tuesday of March, and the second Tuesday of October, for civil business.'

The eighth paragraph of said section is hereby amended by striking out the word "first" in the first line and inserting in place thereof the word 'second'; and by striking out the word "third" in the second line and inserting in place thereof the word 'second', so that said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

—Knox.

'Knox, at Rockland, on the second Tuesday of January, first Tuesday of April and the second Tuesday of September.'

The eleventh paragraph of said section is hereby amended by striking out the words "the second Tuesday of August" in the third line and inserting in place thereof the words 'first Tuesday of September', so that said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

—Penobscot.

'Penobscot, at Bangor, on the first Tuesdays of January, April and October, for civil business, and on the first Tuesdays of February and September, for criminal business.'

The thirteenth paragraph of said section is hereby amended by striking out the words "first Tuesday of April" in the first line and inserting in place thereof the words 'fourth Tuesday of January'; by striking out the words "third Tuesday of August" at the end of the first line and inserting in place thereof the words 'second Tuesdays of May'; and by striking out the words "fourth Tuesday of December" in the last line and inserting in place thereof the words 'and October', so that said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

—Sagadahoc.

'Sagadahoc, at Bath, on the fourth Tuesday of January, and second Tuesdays of May and October.'

Said section is hereby amended by striking out the whole of the fourteenth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: CHAP. 95

'Somerset, at Skowhegan, on the fourth Tuesday of January, first Tuesday of April and third Tuesday of September.' —Somerset.

Said section is hereby amended by striking out the whole of the sixteenth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

'Washington, at Machias, on the first Tuesday of January and second Tuesday of October, and at Calais on the first Tuesday of May.' —Washington.

The fifteenth paragraph of said section is hereby amended by striking out the word "Tuesdays" in the first line and inserting in place thereof the word "Tuesday"; and by striking out the words "and September" in the second line and inserting in place thereof the words 'fourth Tuesday of September', so that the paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

'Waldo, at Belfast, on the first Tuesday of January, third Tuesday of April and fourth Tuesday of September.' —Waldo.

Section 2. Chapter forty-nine of public laws of nineteen hundred and eleven is hereby amended by striking out all of the second paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

'Aroostook, at Houlton, on the third Tuesdays of April and November, for civil and criminal business, and at Caribou on the first Tuesdays of February and September for civil business only.' —Aroostook.

Section 3. Chapter one hundred fifty-seven of public laws of nineteen hundred and seven, as amended by chapter one hundred seventeen of public laws of nineteen hundred eleven, is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

'Piscataquis, at Dover, on the second Tuesdays of March and September.' —Piscataquis.

Section 4. All writs, petitions, recognizances, appeals in civil and criminal cases, and all processes whatsoever, which have been or may be made and entered into before or after this act takes effect, and are returnable to said respective terms of court, as they were to be holden under the law prior to the changes made in this act, shall on the day upon which they were so made returnable, be filed in the office of the clerks in the respective counties, in which the terms of court, by this act, are to be holden at an earlier or later date than those to which these several processes were made returnable, and entered upon the All writs, etc., returnable to above respective terms of court.

CHAP. 96 respective dockets of the court in these counties, and continued to the next term of court, which, with respect to all legal procedure, shall be regarded as the return term, and shall have day in said term of court and be heard and disposed of as if said term had been holden at the time when said processes were made returnable.

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### Chapter 96.

An Act to Prevent Usury by Foreign Corporations.

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

Acting as agent to evade usury laws in other state, unlawful.

It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation or partnership to engage within this state in the business of acting as the agent or attorney of non-resident borrowers of money in sums of three hundred dollars or less, with intent to evade the usury laws in force in the foreign state or territory in which the actual borrower has his residence when such loan, or any contract in connection therewith, is made.

All loans in violation of this act voidable.

All such loans made, or contracted for, by such agent or attorney for a foreign principal, in violation of this act, shall be voidable at the option of the debtor, such option to be exercised by him in any foreign jurisdiction where any contract or promise made by him in connection with the making or procuring such loan is attempted to be enforced.

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### Chapter 97.

An Act Prohibiting Certain Forms of Prostitution and Providing for the Competency of Certain Evidence at the Trial Thereof.

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

Procurator constituted to be a felony.

Section 1. Any person who shall procure a female inmate for a house of prostitution; or who shall induce, persuade, encourage, inveigle, or entice a female person to become a prostitute; or who by promises, threats, violence or by any device or scheme, shall cause, induce, persuade, inveigle, take, place, harbor, encourage or entice a female person to become an inmate of a house of prostitution, or assignation place, or any place where prostitution is practiced, encouraged, or allowed; or any person who by promises, threats, violence, or by any device or scheme, shall cause, induce, persuade, encourage, inveigle or