

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

**1913**

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STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Seventy-Sixth  
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natorial vote within the electoral division or district wherein such proposed candidate is to be voted for. All such nomination papers shall besides containing the names of the proposed candidates specify as to each, first, the name of the office for which he is proposed as a candidate; second, the political party which he represents; third, his place of residence. There shall not be in any nomination papers the name of more than one candidate proposed for nomination. Nomination papers shall be signed by members of the political party named therein for which the nomination is made. Each voter signing a nomination paper shall make his signature in person and add to it his place of residence. Each voters may subscribe his name to one nomination for a candidate for each office to be filled, and no more, except in cases where the office is to be filled by more than one person and in such cases only to the extent of such number. One of the signers to each such separate paper, or the person circulating the same, shall make oath thereon, or by certificate of oath annexed thereto, that he believes the signatures are genuine and that the persons signing are members of the political party named therein and that they reside within the electoral division or district for which the nomination is proposed. The state at large shall be considered an electoral division within the meaning of this section; provided, that nothing herein shall make it necessary for nomination papers for any candidate to be signed in the aggregate by qualified voters greater in number than ten per cent of the last gubernatorial vote cast by the party of such candidate within the electoral division or district wherein such candidate is to be voted for.'

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Approved March 26, 1913.

**Chapter 128.**

An Act to Amend Section Seventy of Chapter Eight of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter One Hundred Eighty-six of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Nine, Relating to the Collection of Inheritance Taxes.

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

Section 70  
of chap. 8,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chap. 186 of  
P. L. of  
1909, fur-  
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amended.

Section 1. Section seventy of chapter eight of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred eighty-six of the public laws of nineteen hundred nine is hereby further amended by striking out the word "Compound" in the sixth line and inserting in the place thereof the word 'Combined,' and by adding to said section the following: 'In every case in which it is impossible to compute the present value of any interest, by rea-

son of such interest being conditioned upon the happening of a contingency or dependent upon the exercise of a discretion or subject to a power of appointment or otherwise, the attorney general may effect such settlement of the tax as he shall deem for the best interests of the state and payment of the sum so agreed upon shall be full satisfaction of such tax,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 70. Whenever property shall descend by devise, descent, bequest or grant to a person for life or for a term of years and the remainder to another, except to or for the use of any educational, charitable, religious or benevolent institution in this state, the value of the prior estate shall be determined by the Actuaries' Combined Experience Tables at four per cent compound interest and a tax imposed at the rate prescribed in the preceding section for the class to which the devisee, legatee or grantee of such estate belongs and a tax shall be imposed at the same time upon the remaining value of such property at the rate prescribed in said section for the class to which the devisee, legatee or grantee of such remainder belongs, subject to the exemptions provided in the preceding section.

In every case in which it is impossible to compute the present value of any interest, by reason of such interest being conditioned upon the happening of a contingency or dependent upon the exercise of a discretion or subject to a power of appointment or otherwise, the attorney general may effect such settlement of the tax as he shall deem for the best interest of the state and payment of the sum so agreed upon shall be a full satisfaction of such tax.'

Section 2. The provisions of this act shall apply to all cases in which the tax remains unpaid at the date of the enactment hereof.

Approved March 26, 1913.

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## Chapter 129.

An Act to Create a Public Utilities Commission, Prescribe its Powers and Duties, and Provide for the Regulation and Control of Public Utilities.

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

### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION ESTABLISHED.

Section 1. The governor with the advice and consent of the council shall appoint three commissioners, one of whom he shall designate as chairman, which said commissioners shall

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Whenever remainder of any property is bequeathed to a collateral heir, a stranger to the blood, it shall be taxed.

—value of prior estate, how determined.

When impossible to compute present value of interest

—the attorney general may decide.

Cases to which this act shall apply.

Appointment of commissioners.