

# 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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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Seventy-Sixth  
Legislature

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CHAP. 212**Chapter 212.**

An Act Defining the Terms "Veteran of the Civil War in the Service of the State."

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

Veterans  
in the  
Maine In-  
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cluded in  
former act.

The words "Veteran of the Civil War in the service of the state," as used in a public act of this legislature, approved by the governor, and entitled "An act relative to the retirement of veterans in the service of the state" shall be held to include any such veterans in the service of the Maine Insane Hospital.

Approved April 12, 1913.

**Chapter 213.**

An Act to Amend Sections Thirteen, Fourteen and Fifteen of Chapter Four of the Revised Statutes, as Amended, Relating to the Appointment of Road Commissioners by the Selectmen.

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

Section 13  
of chapter 4,  
R. S. as  
amended,  
further  
amended.

Section 1. Section thirteen of chapter four of the revised statutes as amended by chapter seventy-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred seven and as amended by chapter two hundred of the public laws of one thousand nine hundred and nine is hereby further amended so that said section shall read as follows:

Appoint-  
ment of a  
road com-  
missioner.

'Section 13. The selectmen of each town shall annually choose by written appointment a road commissioner who shall hold his office until the first Monday of April in the year following; provided, however, that selectmen may so choose such commissioner for a longer term, not exceeding three years. Any town may, at its option, vote to have not more than three road commissioners whose appointment, powers and duties shall be the same as prescribed for a single commissioner. Any road commissioner may be removed from office by the selectmen for incompetency or neglect to perform his official duties. Selectmen may act as road commissioners.'

—road com-  
missioner  
may be re-  
moved.

Section 14  
of chapter 4,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Section 2. Section fourteen of chapter four of revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "and road commissioners" in the second and third lines thereof, also by inserting the word 'and' before the words "town agent" in the second line, so that said section shall read as follows:

'Section 14. Moderator, town clerk, selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor, treasurer, auditor, school committee and town agent shall be elected by ballot, and the other said officers by ballot, or if not so elected, they shall be appointed by the selectmen. The town agent shall act under the direction of the selectmen, and shall receive from the treasury of the town such compensation for his services as may be fixed by vote of the town; otherwise, as the selectmen shall allow.'

Section 3. Section fifteen of said chapter four as amended by chapter two hundred sixty-one of the public laws of nineteen hundred nine is hereby further amended so that said section shall read as follows:

'Section 15. If a person appointed as road commissioner fails to qualify within seven days after appointment, the office shall be deemed vacant, and shall be filled by the selectmen by appointment; and in the event of a vacancy caused by death or otherwise, the selectmen shall appoint some competent person to fill out the unexpired term, who shall qualify and perform the duties of said office. If after the choice of any officer not required to be chosen by ballot, there is a vacancy in any such office, the municipal officers may fill such vacancies by the written appointment of proper persons, who shall be summoned by the constable to appear and take the oath of office provided in section twenty-five subject to the penalties provided in section twenty-six. Such appointment and oath shall be recorded as in case of a choice by the town. No person shall be so appointed without his consent.'

Section 4. This act shall not apply to road commissioners chosen under existing law nor abridge their term of office; but this act shall apply to their successors in office; nor shall this act apply to cities or towns which choose road commissioners under special acts of the legislature.

Approved April 12, 1913.

CHAP. 214

Officers  
chosen by  
ballot.

Section 15  
of chapter 4,  
as amended,  
further  
amended.

Vacancies,  
how to be  
filled.

Application  
of this act.

## Chapter 214.

An Act for the Better Protection of Automobile Garage Keepers and Owners.

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

Section 1. Whoever puts an automobile in a public garage or other place where automobiles are stored for hire, and with-

Punish-  
ment pro-  
vided for  
defrauding  
owner of  
garage.