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Chapter 221.

CHAP. 221

An Act to Abolish the Office of Town Agent, by Amending Section Fourteen of Chapter Four of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Section Two of Chapter Two Hundred Thirteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Thirteen.

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

Section fourteen of chapter four of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section two of chapter two hundred thirteen of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred thirteen, is hereby amended by striking out the words "and town agent" in the third line thereof and inserting the word 'and' in the second line before the words "school committee;" and striking out at the end of said section the words, "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," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 14. Moderator, town clerk, selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor, treasurer, auditor and school committee, shall be elected by ballot and the other said officers by ballot, or if not so elected, they shall be appointed by the selectmen.'

Approved March 29, 1915.

Ch. 4, Sec. 14, R. S., as amended by Ch. 213, Sec. 2, P. L., 1913, further amended.

—town agent abolished.

Method of electing town officers.

Chapter 222.

An Act to Amend Section Thirty-nine of Chapter Thirty-two of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred Six of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Thirteen, Relating to the Protection of Beaver.

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

Section thirty-nine of chapter thirty-two of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred six of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred thirteen, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and by substituting therefor the following section:

'Section 39. The Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game, upon written complaint of any land owner that beaver are doing actual, substantial damage to his property, shall have authority to declare an open season for beaver upon such land for such period of time as they may deem necessary to remove the beaver that are doing the damage complained of, during which open season it shall be lawful for any licensed hunter and trapper of fur bearing animals to trap beaver thereon. No open season for beaver as contemplated by this section shall

Ch. 32, Sec. 39, R. S., as amended by Ch. 206, P. L., 1913, further amended.

Commissioners of Inland Fisheries may declare open season on beaver when necessary.

CHAP. 223 take effect until the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game shall have caused notice of such proposed open season to be published once in a newspaper printed in the county in which the land on which the open season for beaver is declared is located, and said commissioners shall also file copy of said notice of open season with the clerk of the town or plantation in which such land is located, or if the land is in an unorganized place, with the clerk of courts for the county in which the land is located.

—notice,
published
and filed.

—abuse of
open season.

Whenever during a special open season on beaver as is contemplated by this section it shall appear to the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game that the privileges of such open season are being abused in any place, said Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game may suspend the open season and declare it close season for beaver on such land for such time as they may designate.

Unlawful to
take beaver,
except as
herein
provided.

It shall be unlawful to take any beaver anywhere in the State at any time except during such open season as may be declared by the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game in accordance with the provisions of this section.

Penalty for
violation.

Whoever takes any beaver in violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be subject to a penalty of twenty-five dollars and costs for each beaver taken, caught or killed in violation of any provision of this section. It shall also be unlawful, under the same penalty, for any person to have in possession at any time, any beaver, or part thereof, taken in violation of any provision of this section.'

Approved March 29, 1915.

Chapter 223.

An Act to Amend Section Sixty-three of Chapter Fifteen of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Seventy-three of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Seven, as Further Amended by Chapters Sixty-two and One Hundred Sixteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Nine, and as Further Amended by Chapter Fifty-seven of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Thirteen, Relating to the Tuition of Pupils in Secondary Schools.

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

Ch. 15, Sec.
63, R. S., as
amended,
further
amended.

Section sixty-three of chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter seventy-three of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred seven, as amended by chapters sixty-two and one hundred sixteen of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred nine, as amended by chapter fifty-seven of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred thirteen, is hereby further amended by insert-