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jutant general of the state and the post commander of the post of the Grand Army of the Republic, located nearest the town or city which paid said burial expenses, stating that such person was an honorably discharged soldier or sailor and in destitute circumstances, or the widow of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor and in destitute circumstances, and having no kindred of sufficient ability, resident in this state legally liable for her burial expenses.'

Approved March 22, 1917.

Chapter 60.

An Act to Amend Section One Hundred Ten of Chapter Sixteen of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Teachers' Associations.

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

R. S., c. 16, § 110, relating to formation of teachers' associations, amended. Section one hundred ten of chapter sixteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting the words 'five hundred' after the word "thousand" in the tenth line thereof and by striking out all of said section following the word "state" in the twelfth line thereof so that said section when amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 110. \$1,500 for expenses of county conventions. Prohibition as to number of conventions and associations in each county repealed. Whenever not less than thirty of the teachers and school officers of any county shall have formed an association under rules of government approved by the state superintendent of public schools, for the purpose of mutual improvement in the science and art of teaching, and of creating popular interest in, and diffusing a knowledge of the best methods of improving our public school system, by the holding of conventions at least once every year under the supervision of the state superintendent, the state shall defray the necessary expenses attending the holding of such conventions, for which purpose the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars is hereby annually appropriated to be deducted and set aside therefor by the treasurer of state from the annual school fund of the state.'

Approved March 22, 1917.

Chapter 61.

An Act to Amend Section Eight of Chapter Forty-eight of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Local Sealers of Weights and Measures.

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

R. S., c. 48, § 8, relating to local sealers of weights and measures, amended. Section eight of chapter forty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended so that said section eight shall read as follows:

'Section 8. Municipal officers to elect for indefinite term. Removable only for neglect. State sealer to have jurisdiction. The municipal officers of each town shall elect a sealer of weights and measures, also a

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deputy sealer if necessary, not necessarily a resident therein, and said sealer and deputy shall hold office during their efficiency and the faithful performance of their duties and shall be removed by said officers only for neglect of duty. The state sealer of weights and measures shall have jurisdiction over said sealer or deputy sealer, and any vacancy caused by death or resignation shall be filled by election by said municipal officers within thirty days; for each month that said municipal officers neglect their duty they severally shall forfeit ten dollars. Within ten days after each such election the clerk of each city or town shall communicate the name of the person so elected to the state sealer of weights and measures, and for neglect of this duty shall forfeit ten dollars. Such sealer of weights and measures in any town may be sealer for several towns if such is the pleasure of the municipal officers therein, provided such action received the approval of the state sealer of weights and measures.'

Approved March 22, 1917.

Chapter 62.

An Act to Amend Section Fourteen of Chapter Sixteen of the Revised Statutes, to Provide for the Approval of Plans for the Reconstruction or Remodeling of School Buildings.

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

R. S., c. 16, § 14, relating to heating, lighting and ventilating school buildings, amended. Section fourteen of chapter sixteen, revised statutes, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "building" in the sixth line thereof the words 'and plans for the reconstruction or remodeling of any school building, the expense for which shall exceed five hundred dollars' and by inserting after the word "erect" in the last line thereof the words 'reconstruct or remodel,' so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 14. Plans for reconstruction, when expenditure is over \$500, to be approved. Where the plans and specifications prepared by the state superintendent are not used, all superintending school committees of towns in which new schoolhouses are to be erected, shall make suitable provision for the heating, lighting and ventilating and hygienic conditions of such buildings, and all plans and specifications for any such proposed school building and plans for the reconstruction or remodeling of any school building, the expense for which shall exceed five hundred dollars, shall be submitted to and approved by the state superintendent of public schools and the state board of health before the same be accepted by the superintending school committee or school building committee of the town in which it is proposed to erect, reconstruct or remodel such building.'

Approved March 22, 1917.