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sixty of chapter one hundred forty-two, revised statutes, section thirteen of chapter one hundred forty-four, revised statutes, sections seven and forty-seven of chapter one hundred forty-five, revised statutes and section six of chapter one hundred forty-six, revised statutes, or of any other laws in relation to annual or biennial reports of the aforesaid institutions, as are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 23, 1917.

Chapter 75.

An Act Amendatory of and Additional to Section Twenty-two of Chapter Fifty-five of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Annual Closing of Accounts and Filing of Balance Sheet by Public Utilities.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 55, § 22, relating to closing of accounts by public utilities, amended. Section twenty-two of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'**Sec. 22. Accounts to be closed December 31st.** The accounts of all public utilities shall be closed annually on the thirty-first day of December, unless a different date is fixed by the public utilities commission, and a balance sheet of that date, or of the date so fixed, promptly taken therefrom. Within two months after said date, or the date so fixed, such balance sheet together with such other information as the commission shall prescribe, verified by an officer or owner of the public utility, shall be filed with the commission, provided, however, that said commission may by general order extend said time not exceeding one month.'

Sec. 2. Report required to be made in 1917. Special provisions. This act shall take effect on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and require a report as of that date for the year then ending, notwithstanding a portion of that year may have been included in any annual report made, or required to be made, under the aforesaid section of the revised statutes. But the commission may require any classes of utilities, as defined in section fifteen of said chapter fifty-five, to draw off a balance sheet as of December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and to file said balance sheet and other information in manner aforesaid, for the year then ended, within such time as it may prescribe, in lieu of closing said accounts and filing said returns on the dates now fixed by law.

Approved March 23, 1917.