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act be less than twenty per centum of the cost of said work,' so that said section one, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Apportionment when tax rate is more than 10 and less than 20 mills; more than 20 and less than 30; more than 30 and less than 40; more than 40. Town's share not to be less than 20 per cent of cost. When public convenience and necessity require the building or rebuilding of any bridge in any town or city or unorganized township, said bridge being located on any main thoroughfare, and the cost of said construction, together with all other moneys raised for the construction and repair of ways, highways and bridges in said town, city or unorganized township makes a tax rate in excess of five mills on the valuation of the town, city or unorganized township last made by the board of state assessors, the cost of the construction of said bridge shall be borne as follows: Fifty per centum by the town, city or unorganized township, thirty per centum by the county in which said town, city or unorganized township is located and twenty per centum by the state; when the tax rate determined as above is ten mills and less than twenty mills the cost of the bridge shall be borne as follows: Forty-five per centum by the town, city or unorganized township, thirty per centum by the county and twenty-five per centum by the state; when the tax rate determined as above is twenty mills and less than thirty mills the cost of the bridge shall be borne as follows: Forty per centum by the town, city or unorganized township, thirty per centum by the county and thirty per centum by the state; when the tax rate determined as above is thirty mills and less than forty mills the cost of the bridge shall be borne as follows: Thirty-five per centum by the town, city or unorganized township, thirty per centum by the county and thirty-five per centum by the state; when the tax rate determined as above is forty mills or over the town's share of the cost of the bridge shall be reduced five per centum for each ten mills or fraction thereof in excess of forty mills, and the state's share of the said cost shall be increased in the same ratio; provided that in no event shall the town's share of the cost of any bridge constructed or reconstructed under this act be less than twenty per centum of the cost of said work.'

Approved April 1, 1919.

Chapter 141.

An Act to Amend Section Seven of Chapter Three Hundred and Three of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Changing the Conditions under which Loans May be Granted by the Farm Lands Loan Commissioner.

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

1917, c. 303, § 7; relating to conditions under which loans may be granted under "Farm Lands Loan Act," amended. Section seven of chapter three

hundred and three of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen is hereby amended by striking out in the thirteenth and fourteenth lines thereof the words "held under a complete title in fee simple by the borrower", and by striking out the word "and" in the twenty-sixth line and adding after the word "stock" in the twenty-sixth line, 'and farm machinery and to refund an existing mortgage, but loans shall not be granted to refund an existing mortgage unless the borrower takes an additional amount to be expended for any purposes in this section recited, and then only when in the discretion of the commissioners such loan is advisable'; and further amended by adding after the word "unpaid" in the twenty-ninth line of said section the words 'and shall assign to the state, so far as its interest may appear, any policy of insurance upon buildings on any property mortgaged under this act during the lifetime of the mortgage', so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 7. Conditions as to title; may make loan for purchase of farm machinery, and to refund existing mortgage; borrower to assign insurance policy to state. The commissioners shall meet twice monthly whenever one or more applications for loans are awaiting consideration, or oftener in their discretion, to consider applications and they shall consider and dispose of all applications in the order in which such applications were received. The commissioners may grant applications for loans for which sufficient security as hereinafter provided is offered, subject to the approval of the attorney general of the title to the land offered as security. The commissioners may grant applications for the full amount asked or when they consider the security offered to be inadequate, they may reduce the amount of the loan to a sum for which they deem the security to be adequate.

First: The commissioners shall require as security for every farm loan a first mortgage on farm real estate of a market value at least double the amount of the loan;

Second: No loan shall be granted to any person who is not an actual resident of this state and a bona fide occupant of the land offered as security;

Third: No loan shall be granted upon any land of which the market value is less than ten dollars per acre;

Fourth: No loan of less than three hundred or more than five thousand dollars shall be made to any one person, and no person shall be granted separate loans aggregating more than five thousand dollars;

Fifth: At least one hundred thousand dollars of the moneys available from the reserved land fund shall be set aside each year for loans under

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this act and so much of said amount as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to be loaned as provided for in this act;

Sixth: Loans shall be granted only for the purpose of assisting the borrower to erect necessary dwelling houses and farm buildings, to build silos, to clear his lands of forest growth, for the purchase of live stock and farm machinery and to refund an existing mortgage, but loans shall not be granted to refund an existing mortgage unless the borrower takes an additional amount to be expended for any purposes in this section recited, and then only when in the discretion of the commissioners such loan is advisable;

Seventh: The borrower shall pay a charge of five per cent per annum for the use of the loan at the expiration of one year from the date of the loan and annually thereafter so long as the loan remains unpaid, and shall assign to the state, so far as its interest may appear, any policy of insurance upon buildings on any property mortgaged under this act during the lifetime of the mortgage. All loans shall be made for a term of not less than three nor more than twenty years but the principal of the loan in whole or in part, at the option of the borrower, may be paid on any interest date occurring not less than three nor more than nineteen years after the date of the loan and in any event the whole shall be payable in twenty years and when partial payments are made the annual charge of five per cent shall be made only upon the unpaid balance of the principal of the loan.'

Approved April 1, 1919.

Chapter 142.

An Act to Amend Section Eighty-six of Chapter Thirty-three of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapters Two Hundred and Nineteen and Two Hundred and Forty-four of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to the Disposition of Money Collected under the Provisions of the Inland Fish and Game Laws.

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

R. S., c. 33, § 86, 1917, c. 219 and c. 244; relating to disposition of fines collected for violation of fish and game laws, amended. Section eighty-six of chapter thirty-three of the revised statutes, as amended by chapters two hundred and nineteen and two hundred and forty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and by substituting therefor the following section:

'Sec. 86. Fines in excess of \$50,000 to be appropriated for use of department. All fines and penalties recovered and money received or collected under any provision of this chapter, in excess of fifty thousand dollars, after the deduction of legal taxable costs, together with all fees