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Chapter 206.

An Act to Amend Section Twenty-nine of Chapter Fifty of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Appropriation for the Industrial Accident Commission.

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

R. S., c. 50, § 29; relating to industrial accident commission, personnel, duties, appropriation, etc., amended. Section twenty-nine of chapter fifty of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out in the fourteenth and fifteenth lines of said section the following words: "the sum of two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as is necessary", and by inserting in place thereof the words, 'a sufficient amount'; also by striking out in the sixteenth and seventeenth lines the words, "the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars shall be annually appropriated", and by inserting in place thereof the words, 'The legislature shall from time to time appropriate a sufficient amount', so that, as amended, said section shall read as follows:

'Sec. 29. Amount of appropriation not limited. The industrial accident commission of the State of Maine as heretofore established, shall consist of three members. The insurance commissioner and the commissioner of labor and industry shall be ex-officio members thereof. The governor shall appoint a chairman of the commission, who shall be learned in the law and a member of the bar in good standing; he shall hold office for three years from the date of his appointment unless removed as hereinafter provided, and until his successor is appointed and qualified; he shall be sworn, and for inefficiency, wilful neglect of duty or for malfeasance in office, may after notice and hearing be removed from office by the governor and council. In case of vacancy occurring through death, resignation or removal, the governor shall appoint a successor for the whole term of three years, subject to removal as aforesaid. The commission shall have a secretary appointed and removable by it. It shall be allowed a sufficient amount for expert and clerical assistance and other expenses in organizing a suitable system of administration. The legislature shall from time to time appropriate a sufficient amount for the payment of clerical and other assistance, physicians' and witness fees, traveling and other expenses.

The commission shall have a seal bearing the words "Industrial Accident Commission of Maine." It shall have its office and keep its records in the state house in Augusta, but may hold sessions at any place within the state. The commission shall have a general supervision over the administration of this act and shall have the following powers:

I. To make rules and regulations not inconsistent with this act or other laws of the state for the purpose of carrying out the provisions hereof.

II. To issue subpoenas for witnesses and subpoenas duces tecum to compel the production of books and papers relating to any questions in dispute before it.

III. The chairman of the commission at any hearing before him, under the provisions of this act, may issue subpoenas for witnesses and subpoenas duces tecum to compel the production of books and papers relating to any matters in dispute before him. Witness fees in all proceedings under this act shall be the same as for witnesses before the supreme judicial court.'

Approved April 4, 1919.

Chapter 207.

An Act to Amend Chapter Two Hundred and Fifteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen to Provide for Payment of a Bounty on Bears Killed in the State.

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

1917, c. 215, § 5; relating to payment of bounties on bears, amended. Section five of chapter two hundred and fifteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen is hereby amended by adding to said section the following words: 'and so much of the fees received for dog licenses as may be necessary to pay said bounties, is hereby appropriated to pay the same'; so that, as amended, said section shall read as follows:

'**Sec. 5. Authorizing appropriation from fees received from dog licenses.** The bounty so paid by the state treasurer shall be taken from the fees received from the licenses of dogs, in the State of Maine, and so much of the fees received for dog licenses as may be necessary to pay said bounties, is hereby appropriated to pay the same.'

Approved April 4, 1919.

Chapter 208.

An Act to Prevent Cruelty to Animals.

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

Sec. 1. Vivisection in schools supported wholly or in part by public money, prohibited. No person in any of the schools of the state supported wholly or in part by public money, shall practice vivisection or perform any experiment upon a living animal, or exhibit to any pupil in such school an animal which has been vivisected or experimented upon.

Sec. 2. Penalty for violation; revocation of teacher's certificate. Whoever wilfully violates the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine