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**positions to be created.** From and after the date when this act shall take effect, all powers now vested in the live stock sanitary commissioner and all duties and privileges now imposed or conferred upon him by and under existing laws, are hereby transferred to and imposed and conferred upon the commissioner of agriculture, to be exercised by him through such chief of division, deputy, assistant, or other agency, as he may determine with the approval of the governor and council, for the purpose of facilitating and encouraging the live stock interests of the state, and for extirpating all insidious, infectious and contagious diseases, especially tuberculosis, among cattle, horses, sheep and swine. The office of live stock sanitary commissioner is hereby abolished, and the tenure of all employees of said office is hereby terminated. The records of said office shall be transferred by him to the commissioner of agriculture and the rules and regulations promulgated by him and in force on the date when this act shall take effect, shall continue in force until altered or repealed by the commissioner of agriculture in accordance with law. All proceedings then pending before the live stock sanitary commissioner shall be transferred to the jurisdiction of the commissioner of agriculture, who is hereby vested with full authority to carry the same to completion as the live stock sanitary commissioner might have done had it not been for the enactment of this statute. In carrying out the provisions of this act, no new divisions or official positions shall be created within the department of agriculture, except in the employment of such additional clerical assistance as may prove necessary in the discharge of the additional duties imposed upon the department.

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## Chapter 55.

An Act to Amend Section Twenty of Chapter One Hundred and Forty-four of the Revised Statutes as Amended by Chapters One Hundred and Thirty and Two Hundred and Thirty-two of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to the Age of Commitment to the State School for Girls.

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

**R. S., c. 144, § 20; 1917, c. 130, 232; relating to the commitment of idle or vicious girls to the state school for girls, amended.** Section twenty of chapter one hundred and forty-four of the revised statutes as amended by chapter one hundred and thirty of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen and chapter two hundred and thirty-two of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby amended by striking out the words "six and sixteen" in the second line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'nine and seventeen,' so that the same shall read as follows:

**'Sec. 20. Age limits increased from six and sixteen to nine and seventeen.** A parent or guardian of any girl between the ages of nine

and seventeen years, the municipal officers, or any three respectable inhabitants of any city or town, where she may be found, may complain in writing to the judge of probate or any trial justice in the county, or to the judge of the municipal or police court for such city or town, alleging that she is leading an idle or vicious life, or has been found in circumstances of manifest danger of falling into habits of vice or immorality, and request that she may be committed to the guardianship of the officers of said school. The judge or justice shall appoint a time and place of hearing, and order notice thereof to all persons entitled to be heard, and at such time and place, may examine into the truth of said allegations, and if satisfactory evidence thereof is adduced, and it appears that the welfare of such girl requires it, he may order her to be committed to the custody and guardianship of the officers of said school during her minority, unless sooner discharged by process of law. All precepts issued in pursuance of this section may be executed by any officer who may execute civil process. Upon commitment of such girl if the officer to whom the mittimus or order of commitment is addressed is not a woman the judge or trial justice shall designate a woman to be an attendant to accompany her to said school, and the fees of judges of municipal and police courts, trial justices and officers shall be the same as for similar services in civil cases, and the fees of such woman attendant shall be the same as provided for aids in criminal cases, and when not otherwise provided for, all fees shall be audited by the county commissioners and paid from the county treasury.'

Approved March 25, 1921.

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## Chapter 56.

An Act to Amend Section Seventeen of Chapter One Hundred and Seventeen of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Salary of the State Auditor.

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

**R. S., c. 117, § 17; 1917, c. 199; 1919, c. 215 and 224; relating to the salary of the state auditor, appointment of superintendent of printing and clerks of state auditor's department, amended.** Section seventeen of chapter one hundred and seventeen of the revised statutes as amended by chapter one hundred and ninety-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen and as further amended by chapters two hundred and fifteen and two hundred and twenty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen is hereby amended by striking out the word "three" after the word "of" in the second line and by striking out the word "three" after the word "said" in the second line of said section and inserting in place thereof in each instance the word 'four.' It is further amended by striking out the word "seventeen" in the third