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number of directors from twelve to twenty-four. If the corporation shall decide to increase the number of its directors as aforesaid, it shall at the same annual meeting elect eight directors, two of them to hold office for the term of one year, two of them to hold office for the term of two years, two of them to hold office for the term of three years and two of them to hold office for the term of four years. Thereafterwards, annually, four directors shall be chosen by the corporation for the term of four years. Otherwise the provisions of existing law remain unchanged, except that when such increase in the number of its directors has been made by the hospital, the visitors shall appoint two additional directors to hold office for the term of four years and at the expiration of the term of any director appointed by the visitors, they shall annually appoint two persons to be directors for four years, so that the number of directors appointed by the visitors shall be eight with terms corresponding to the terms of the directors chosen by the corporation.

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## Chapter 95.

An Act to Amend Section Fifty-one of Chapter Two Hundred and Nineteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, as Amended by Chapters One Hundred and Ninety-six and Two Hundred and Forty-nine of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, Relating to the Placing of Bear Traps.

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

**R. S., c. 33, § 51; 1917, c. 219; 1919, c. 195 and 249; relating to the placing of traps for fur-bearing animals, amended.** Section fifty-one of chapter two hundred nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred seventeen, as amended by chapters one hundred ninety-six and two hundred forty-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred nineteen, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and by substituting therefor the following section:

**'Sec. 51. Provision prohibiting trapping of foxes in Lincoln County repealed; bear trap may be enclosed in barbed wire in place of a hut.** No person shall at any time set a snare or a swivel, pivot or set gun for any fur-bearing animal, under a penalty of one hundred dollars and costs for each offense, and by imprisonment for sixty days, and shall forfeit any such snare, swivel, pivot or set gun, and any fur-bearing animal found in such snare, or killed by such swivel, pivot or set gun, to any person finding the same; nor shall any person at any time set any trap or traps of any kind for any wild animal without having the trap or traps plainly labeled with his full name and address, either by having the same stamped on the trap, or on a metal tag firmly attached to the trap, under a penalty of five dollars and costs for each offense and in addition thereto five

dollars for each trap set and not marked as provided herein, and shall forfeit the trap or traps, and any wild animal found therein; provided, further, that no person shall set a bear trap at any time unless the same is enclosed in a hut, so-called, or by at least two strands of barbed wire, one four and one five feet from the ground, said wire to be securely held in position and to be not less than five yards at any point from the enclosed trap, under a penalty of fifty dollars and costs for each offense.'

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## Chapter 96.

An Act to Amend Section Eighty-five of Chapter Two of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Twenty-six of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to the State Contingent Fund.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 2, § 85; 1917, c. 226; relating to state contingent fund and the lapse of appropriations, amended.** Section eighty-five of chapter two of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and twenty-six of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "thirtieth day of June" in the fourth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the words 'first day of January,' and by striking out the words "first day of January" in the eighth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the words 'first day of July,' and by striking out the words "December thirty-first" in the eleventh and twelfth lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the words 'June thirtieth,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

**'Sec. 85. Appropriations not continued by law lapse Jan. 1st instead of June 30; net income to be credited July 1st; June 30 may be credited to contingent fund in discretion of governor and council.** The state auditor and treasurer of state shall open on their books an account to be known as the state contingent fund, to which shall be transferred and credited all balances of unexpended appropriations which exist on the first day of January of each year and which are not continued by law, except such appropriations as relate to the issue and payment of state bonds, temporary loans and special funds in the state treasury department. There shall also be credited to said account on the first day of July of each year, or as soon thereafter as the amount can be correctly ascertained, the amount by which the actual income of the state for the preceding year exceeds the current expenses of said year; provided, however, that unexpended balances existing on June thirtieth, excepting those continued by law, or such as relate to the issue