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## Chapter 118.

An Act to Amend Section Seventeen of Chapter Twelve of the Revised Statutes as Amended by Chapters One Hundred and Twenty-one and Two Hundred and Ninety-nine of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to the Recording of Deeds.

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

**R. S., c. 12, § 17; 1917, c. 121, and c. 299; relating to the time of recording of deeds, amended.** Section seventeen of chapter twelve of the revised statutes as amended by chapter one hundred twenty-one of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen as amended by chapter two hundred ninety-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is further amended by striking out the words "time of day" in the third line and by inserting in place thereof the words 'hour and minute,' so that said section seventeen of chapter twelve of the revised statutes, as amended, shall read as follows:

**'Sec. 17. Phraseology "time of day" changed to "hour and minute."** Every register shall, at the time of receiving any deed or instrument for record, certify thereon the day and the hour and minute when it was received and filed; every such paper shall be considered as recorded at the time when it was received and such time shall be entered on the record thereof. Within one hour after its delivery to him, the register shall enter such time, the names of the grantor and grantee, and their places of residence, the nature of the instrument, the amount of the consideration named therein and the name of the town or unincorporated place as shown by the instrument, in which the property conveyed is located, in a book kept for that purpose, and open to inspection in business hours; and he shall suffer no deed or instrument for the conveyance of real estate to be altered, amended or withdrawn, until it is fully recorded and examined. The records may be attested by the volume, and it shall be deemed to be a sufficient attestation of such records, when each volume bears the attest with the written signature of the register or other person authorized by law to attest such records.'

Approved April 5, 1921.

## Chapter 119.

An Act to Amend Paragraph IX of Section Six of Chapter Ten of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter One Hundred Five of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Nineteen, Relating to Exemption from Taxation of the Estates of War Veterans.

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

**R. S., c. 10, § 6, par. IX; 1919, c. 105; relating to exemptions for purposes of taxation, amended.** Paragraph IX of section six of chapter ten of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred

five of the public laws of nineteen hundred nineteen, is hereby further amended so that said paragraph, as amended, shall read as follows:

**'IX. Exempting the estates of widows of war veterans under certain circumstances and prescribing a penalty for transferring property to a soldier or widow of a soldier for the purpose of escaping taxation.** The polls and the estates of persons who by reason of age, infirmity or poverty, are in the judgment of the assessors unable to contribute toward the public charges; the polls of all soldiers and sailors who served in the army or navy of the United States in the war of eighteen hundred sixty-one and five, and were honorably discharged from such service; the polls of all soldiers, sailors and marines who receive state pension; and the estates to the value of five thousand dollars of all soldiers, sailors and marines, or the widows of soldiers, sailors or marines, who served in the war of eighteen hundred sixty-one and five, the war with Spain or the World War, and were honorably discharged, who shall have reached the age of seventy years; provided, however, that any such soldier, sailor or marine, or widow of such soldier, sailor or marine, who desires to pay said tax may, on or before the first day of April in each year, notify in writing the assessors of the city, town or plantation in which he or she reside of his or her desire to pay said tax, whereupon said assessors shall assess said tax against said soldier, sailor or marine, or widow of said soldier, sailor or marine, and said soldier, sailor or marine, or widow of said soldier, sailor or marine, shall be legally holden to pay said tax; and provided further, that no property conveyed to such soldier, sailor or marine, or widow of such soldier, sailor or marine, for the purpose of obtaining exemption from taxation under this section shall be so exempt, and any attempt to obtain such exemption by means of such fraudulent conveyance shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars.'

Approved April 5, 1921.

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## Chapter 120.

An Act Relating to Life Insurance for Minors and the Surrender of Such Insurance.

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

**Relating to contracts for life insurance of minors between the ages of 15 and 21 years.** In respect to insurance heretofore or hereafter issued upon the life of any person between the ages of fifteen and twenty-one years, for the benefit of such minor, or for the benefit of the father, mother, husband, wife, child, brother or sister of such minor, the insured shall not, by reason only of such minority, be incompetent to contract