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Chapter 130.

An Act to Amend Section Fifty-one of Chapter Four of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Fifty-nine of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen and by Chapter Ninety-seven of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, Relating to the Payment by the State of the Burial Expenses of Honorably Discharged Soldiers and Sailors.

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

R. S., c. 4, § 51; 1917, c. 59; 1919, c. 97; relating to burial expenses of soldiers and sailors, amended. Section fifty-one of chapter four of the revised statutes, as amended by section one of chapter fifty-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen and by chapter ninety-seven of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, is hereby further amended by striking out the word "sixty" in the twelfth line thereof and inserting in place thereof the words 'one hundred'; so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 51. Maximum amount to be paid by the state increased to \$100. Whenever any person who has served in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States and was honorably discharged therefrom, shall die, being at the time of his death a resident of this state and in destitute circumstances, the state shall pay the necessary expenses of his burial; or whenever the widow of any person who served in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States and was honorably discharged therefrom shall die, being at the time of her death a resident of this state and being in destitute circumstances and having no kindred living within this state and of sufficient ability legally liable for her support, the state shall pay the necessary expenses of her burial; such expenses shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars in any case, and the burial shall be in some cemetery not used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead.'

Approved April 6, 1921

Chapter 131.

An Act to Provide for an Issue of State Highway and Bridge Bonds.

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

Sec. 1. Additional issue of state highway and bridge bonds authorized to the amount of \$3,000,000. In addition to state highway and bridge bonds heretofore issued in the name and behalf of the state and under the provisions of chapter one hundred and thirty, of the public laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen and acts amendatory thereof and additional thereto, and under chapter two hundred and fifty-one of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, the treasurer of state is hereby authorized, under the direction of the governor and council, to issue from time to time serial coupon bonds in the name and behalf of the state to an amount not exceeding three million dollars, payable at the state treasury

within forty-one years from date of issue, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and signed by the treasurer of state, countersigned by the governor and attested by the state auditor, with the seal of the state affixed. The coupons attached to said bonds shall bear the facsimile of the signature of the treasurer of state instead of his original signature; and such bonds and coupons shall be of such denominations and form and upon such terms and conditions not inconsistent herewith as the governor and council shall direct. Said bonds and any bonds hereafter issued under the provisions of chapter one hundred and thirty, of the public laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen and acts amendatory thereof and additional thereto, and under the provisions of chapter two hundred and fifty-one of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, together with the proceeds thereof shall be designated as the state highway and bridge loan, and shall be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the state.

Sec. 2. Record of bonds issued to be kept by state auditor and treasurer. The state auditor shall keep an account of such bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date of countersigning, the date when payable and the date of delivery thereof to the treasurer of state, who shall keep an account of each bond, showing the number thereof, the name of the person to whom sold, the amount received for the same, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 3. \$2,300,000 to be used for state highways and \$700,000 for bridges as provided for by the "Bridge Law." The treasurer of state may negotiate the sale of such bonds by direction of the governor and council, but no such bond shall be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the state. Of the proceeds of the sales of such bonds, which shall be held by the treasurer of state and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the governor and council, two million three hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to be used solely for the building of state highways and seven hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to be used solely for the building of bridges, as provided by chapter three hundred and nineteen, public laws of nineteen hundred and fifteen, as amended. The proceeds of said bonds may be expended during the fiscal years ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twenty-three, but any balance unexpended shall not lapse, but shall be carried forward to the same account to be used only for the construction of state highways and bridges as provided by law.

Sec. 4. Additional bond issue of \$2,500,000 for state aid highway construction; contingent upon adoption of proposed constitutional amendment; shall be designated as state aid highway loan;

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record to be kept by state auditor and treasurer; how proceeds shall be expended and when available. In case of the adoption by the people of the proposed constitutional amendment submitted by this legislature, amending section seventeen of article nine of the constitution so as to permit the use of the proceeds of state highway bonds for the construction of state aid highways, the treasurer of state is hereby further authorized, under the direction of the governor and council, in addition to the bonds issued under the provisions of section one of this act, to issue from time to time serial coupon bonds in the name and behalf of the state to an amount not exceeding two million, five hundred thousand dollars, under the same conditions and subject to the same provisions so far as applicable as bonds issued under the provisions of section one of this act. The proceeds of said bonds shall be designated as the state aid highway loan and shall be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the state.

The state auditor shall keep an account of such bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date of countersigning, the date when payable and the date of delivery thereof to the treasurer of state, who shall keep an account of each bond, showing the number thereof, the name of the person to whom sold, the amount received for the same, the date of sale and the date when payable.

The treasurer of state may negotiate the sale of such bonds by direction of the governor and council, but no such bond shall be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the state. Of the proceeds of the sales of such bonds, which shall be held by the treasurer of state and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the governor and council, so much as may be found necessary for the purpose is hereby appropriated to be used for the building of state aid highways under any provision of law obligating the state to contribute to such purpose. The proceeds of such bonds may be so expended during the fiscal year ending June thirty, nineteen hundred and twenty-three, but any balance unexpended shall not lapse but shall be carried forward to the same account to be used for the construction of state aid highway as provided by law.

Sec. 5. Proceeds not available for any other purpose; any part not immediately needed to be placed at interest; interest may be used for payment of interest on highway and bridge bonds; treasurer of state to make an annual report. The proceeds of all bonds issued under the authority of this or other similar acts, for highway and bridge purposes, shall at all times be kept distinct from other moneys of the state, and shall not be drawn upon or be available for any other purpose. So much of the same as from time to time may not be needed for current expenditures shall be placed at interest, and the income

derived therefrom shall be devoted to the payment of accruing interest on state highway and bridge bonds, and the treasurer of state shall include in his annual report a statement of all moneys so placed at interest, and of all interest collected and disbursed as herein provided.

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Chapter 132.

An Act to Require a Fee for Registration of Milk Dealers.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 5; 1919, c. 66; relating to the registration of milk dealers, amended. Fees to be paid to commissioner of agriculture; how fees may be used. Each milk dealer when applying for registration as provided for by section five, chapter thirty-seven of the revised statutes, and amendments thereto, shall pay to the commissioner of agriculture a fee of one dollar for each milk depot, vehicle and place from which sales are made. All money received by the commissioner of agriculture under this section shall be paid by him to the treasurer of the state, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purposes specified in chapter thirty-seven, and sections two, three, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven and twelve of chapter one hundred and thirty of revised statutes.

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Chapter 133.

An Act Relating to the Wrapping of Bread.

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

Sec. 1. Bread offered for sale to be enclosed in sanitary wrapper. No person, firm or corporation shall distribute, transport, or sell for distribution or transportation any bread, in loaf form, which is not properly enclosed in a sanitary wrapper.

Sec. 2. Penalty for violation. Any person, firm or corporation who violates any provision of this act shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars for the first offense and by a fine of not more than two hundred dollars for each subsequent offense.

Sec. 3. Jurisdiction. Municipal and police courts and trial justices all have jurisdiction of the above offenses.

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