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Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1885, c. 486, § 1; relating to the appointment and qualification of police officers of the City of Portland, amended. Section one of chapter four hundred eighty-six of the specal and private laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five relating to police officers of the City of Portland is hereby amended so that as amended said section shall read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Qualifications of members of police force, retirement age increased to sixty-five years. No person shall be appointed to the police or watch of the City of Portland, as policeman, patrolman, watchman, or keeper, or for any position of like rank, or for any position of inferior rank thereto, unless such person shall be a citizen of the United States and not over forty-five years, nor under twenty-five years of age, and shall have successfully passed a competitive examination as herein provided, within two years before said appointment, and shall have had a continuous residence in the City of Portland, from at least two years before said examination to the time of said appointment. When any policeman, watchman or keeper shall have arrived at the age of sixty-five years he may be honorably discharged. The mayor and aldermen shall. as soon as may be, after the passage of this act, provide for such competitive examination by proper rules and regulations, which rules and regulations may thereafterwards be amended by said mayor and aldermen.'

Approved April 7, 1921.

Chapter 139.

An Act to Legalize and Make Valid Certain Acts of the Assessors of the Town of Danforth for the Year Nineteen Hundred and Twenty and Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, in the assessment of taxes for the municipal year of nineteen hundred and twenty and nineteen hundred and twenty-one, the assessors of the Town of Danforth erroneously computed the tax rate for said year at an amount greater than that allowed by law and assessed upon the inhabitants and property of said town an aggregate tax greater than that permitted under existing law, and,

Whereas, by reason of said erroneous action of said assessors a portion of said tax remains uncollected and the right of the town to hold the amount of the taxes already collected is in question, and,

Whereas, the foregoing facts constitute an emergency in the judgment of this legislature, and the passage of the following act is urgently required in the interests of the public peace, health and safety, now therefore,

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FARMINGTON MUNICIPAL COURT.

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

Sec. 1. Tax assessment of town of Danforth, 1920 and 1921 made valid. The acts of the assessors of the Town of Danforth in the County of Washington, in computing the annual tax rate in said town and assessing taxes threin, for the year nineteen hundred twenty and nineteen hundred and twenty-one, are hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid.

Sec. 2. Emergency clause. In view of the emergency set forth in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved April 7, 1921.

Chapter 140.

An Act to Amend Chapter Two Hundred and Forty-six of the Private and Special Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nine, Relating to the Salary of the Judge of the Farmington Municipal Court,

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

P. & S. L., 1909, c. 246; relating to the Farmington Municipal Court, amended. Chapter two hundred and forty-six of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and nine is hereby repealed, and the following section is hereby substituted in lieu thereof, so that said chapter shall read as follows:

'Fines and penalties recovered for violation of fish and game laws to be paid to commissioners of inland fisheries and game; salary of judge increased and to be paid monthly instead of quarterly. The judge of said court shall demand and receive the same fees as are allowed to trial justices for like services except that he shall demand and receive for a complaint and warrant in criminal cases one dollar; for the entry of a civil action fifty cents; and for the trial of an issue, civil or criminal, one dollar for the first day and two dollars for each day after the first occupied in such cause, to be paid to him by the plaintiff in civil cases before trial, who shall recover the same as costs if he prevail in the suit. All fees, civil and criminal, shall inure to the County of Franklin and shall be paid over to the treasurer of said county by said judge on the first day of each month, except fines recovered for the violation of the inland fish and game laws of the state, which said fines shall be paid by said judge to the commissioner of inland fisheries and game as required by section eighty-six of chapter two hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen. The judge of said court shall receive an annual salary of six hundred dollars in full for all services performed as judge of said municipal court, payable on the first day of each month from the treasury of Franklin county. All expenses of said court, including blank books of record, docket, and blanks necessary for the use of said