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READING OF BIBLE IN SCHOOLS.

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revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "business" in the second line the words 'and that it is not indebted to the state on account of franchise taxes,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 33. Not to be excused until franchise taxes are paid. The attorney general, upon application by any corporation, and satisfactory proof that it has ceased to transact business, and that it is not indebted to the state on account of franchise taxes, shall file a certificate of the fact with the secretary of state, and shall give a duplicate certificate to the corporation; and thereupon such corporation shall be excused from filing annual returns with the secretary of state.'

Approved April 4, 1923.

Chapter 166.

An Act to Provide for the Reading of the Bible in the Public Schools. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Readings from the scriptures in public schools; no sectarian comment or teaching. To insure greater security in the faith of our fathers, to inculcate into the lives of the rising generation the spiritual values necessary to the well being of our and future civilizations, to develop those high moral and religious principles essential to human happiness, to make available to the youth of our land the book which has been the inspiration of the greatest masterpieces of literature, art and music, and which have been the strength of the great men and women of the Christian era, there shall be, in all the public schools of the state, daily or at suitable intervals, readings, from the scriptures with special emphasis upon the Ten Commandments, the Psalms of David, the Proverbs of Solomon, the Sermon on the Mount and the Lord's Prayer. It is provided further, that there shall be no denominational or sectarian comment or teaching and each student shall give respectful attention but shall be free in his own forms of worship.

Approved April 4, 1923.

Chapter 167.

An Act to Amend Sections Twenty, Twenty-seven and Twenty-eight of Chapter One Hundred and Twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Ninety-one of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to Intoxicating Liquors.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 127, sec. 20; P. L., 1917, c. 291; relating to transport-