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Sec. 2. P. L., 1917, c. 219, sec. 54; relating to perpetual closed time on certain game birds amended. Open time for pheasants in town of Poland provided for. So much of section fifty-four of chapter two hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen as prohibits the public from hunting pheasants, by legal means, and under the hunting license required by law, in the town of Poland, in the county of Androscoggin, during the month of November of each year, between half an hour before sunrise and sunset each day, is hereby repealed.

Daily limit fixed. During the open season on pheasants in said town of Poland provided for in this section, it shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, destroy or have in possession in any one day more than five pheasants or part or parts thereof.

Penalties. Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be subject to a penalty of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars and costs for each offense, and in addition thereto five dollars for each pheasant taken, caught, killed or had in possession in violation hereof.

Approved April 3, 1925.

Chapter 133.

An Act Relating to the Authorization of Issue of Stocks, Bonds and Notes by Public Utilities.

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

R. S., c. 55, sec. 37; P. L., 1919, c. 128; relating to authorization of issue of stocks, bonds and notes by public utilities, amended. Section thirty-seven of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes as amended by chapter one hundred and twenty-eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen is hereby further amended by adding to said section the following:

'Without in any way restricting the general language hereof, this section shall be construed to authorize any municipal or quasi municipal corporation included within this chapter to issue, upon vote of its trustees or similar governing board, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness for the purposes herein specified and subject to the approval of the commission as herein provided. The trustees or similar governing boards of any such corporations may issue notes or other evidences of indebtedness payable at periods of less than twelve months after the date thereof when necessary to carry out the purposes of such corporations,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 37. Municipal and quasi municipal corporations authorized to issue bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness subject to approval of

public utilities commission; limitations. Any public utility now organized and existing, and doing business in the state or hereafter incorporated under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Maine, may issue stocks, bonds, which may be secured by mortgages of its property, franchises or otherwise, notes or other evidences of indebtedness payable at periods of more than twelve months after the date thereof, when necessary for the acquisition of property to be used for the purpose of carrying out its corporate powers, the construction, completion, extension or improvement of its facilities, or for the improvement or maintenance of its service, or for the discharge or lawful refunding of its obligations, or to reimburse its treasury for moneys used for the acquisition of property, the construction, completion, extension or improvement of its facilities, and which actually were expended from income or from other moneys in the treasury of the corporation not secured by or obtained from the issue of stocks, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of such corporation, or for such other purposes as may be authorized by law; provided and not otherwise, that upon written application, setting forth such information as the commission may require, there shall have been secured from the commission an order authorizing such issue and the amount thereof and stating that in the opinion of the commission the sum of the capital to be secured by the issue of said stocks, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness is required in good faith for purposes enumerated in this section; but the provisions of this chapter shall not apply to any stocks or bonds or other evidences of indebtedness heretofore lawfully authorized and issued; provided, however, that the commission may at the request of any public utility approve the issue of any stocks or bonds heretofore authorized but not issued. For the purpose of enabling the commission to determine whether it shall issue such an order, the commission shall make such inquiries for investigation, hold such hearings and examine such witnesses, books, papers, documents or contracts as it may deem of importance in enabling it to reach a determination. No order of the commission authorizing the issue of any stocks, bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness shall limit or restrict the powers of the commission in determining and fixing any rate, fare, toll, charge, classification, schedule, or joint rate as provided in this chapter; provided, however, that no public utility shall be required to apply to the commission for authority to issue stocks, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness for the acquisition of property, for the purposes of carrying out its corporate powers, the construction, completion, extension or improvement of its facilities, or the improvement or maintenance of its service outside the state, and this proviso shall apply also to the following section.

'Without in any way restricting the general language hereof, this section

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shall be construed to authorize any municipal or quasi municipal corporation included within this chapter to issue, upon vote of its trustees or similar governing board, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness for the purposes herein specified and subject to the approval of the commission as herein provided. The trustees or similar governing boards of any such corporations may issue notes or other evidences of indebtedness payable at periods of less than twelve months after the date thereof when necessary to carry out the purposes of such corporations.'

Approved April 3, 1925

Chapter 134.

An Act Relating to State of Maine Building at West Springfield, Massachusetts.

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

Appointment of successors of committee having charge of building at Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield, Mass., provided for. The governor shall nominate, and with the advice and consent of the council, appoint the successors to the committee of five which now has and shall hereafter have charge of the erection, operation and management of the building erected by the state under and by virtue of chapter fifty-one of the resolves of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, upon the grounds of the Eastern States Agricultural and Industrial Exposition, Inc., at West Springfield, Massachusetts. In making said appointments to said committee the governor and council shall recognize the agricultural, industrial and recreational industries and activities of Maine, but the commissioner of agriculture, ex-officio, shall always be the fifth member.

Approved April 3, 1925.

Chapter 135.

An Act Relating to State School Fund Covering Unexpended Balances.

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

P. L., 1921, c. 173, sec. 15; 1923, c. 175; relating to disposition of unexpended balances of state school fund, amended. Section fifteen of chapter one hundred and seventy-three of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, and chapter one hundred and seventy-five of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, is hereby amended by adding at the close of the section, the following words: 'Balances at the close of the fiscal year deducted from the state school fund and set apart for certain activities may be transferred from one division to another by consent of