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CHAP. 44

Chapter 44.

An Act Relating to Increases in Capital Stock of Railroad Corporations. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

- R. S., c. 56, sec. 20; relating to proceedings before public utilities commission in case of increase of capital stock of railroad companies, amended. Section twenty of chapter fifty-six of the revised statutes is hereby amended by eliminating the period at the end of said section and substituting therefor a semi-colon and by adding the following: 'the provisions of this section shall not apply to any railroad corporation engaged in interstate commerce, while and so long as such corporation is required by federal law to make application to and procure consent from the Interstate Commerce Commission as a condition precedent to any increase in its capital stock,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:
- 'Sec. 20. Provisions not applicable to railroads engaged in interstate commerce where federal consent is required. Upon petition of the directors of the railroad corporation to the public utilities commission, the amount of such increase after such notice by publication as the commission shall order, and after hearing, shall be determined by said commission, who shall within thirty days after final hearing of said petition, file in the office of the secretary of state a certificate showing the amount of increase authorized and the purposes for which the proceeds of said new stock may be used; and the company shall not apply such increase or the proceeds thereof to any purpose not specified in said certificate, and may be enjoined from so doing by any justice of the supreme judicial court upon application of the board or of any interested party; the provisions of this section shall not apply to any railroad corporation engaged in interstate commerce, while and so long as such corporation is required by federal law to make application to and procure consent from the interstate commerce commission as a condition precedent to any increase in its capital stock.'

Approved April 1, 1927.

Chapter 45.

An Act to Empower the Governor and Council to Lease the Right to Gather and Harvest Kelp on the Submerged Lands and Reefs within the Jurisdiction of the State.

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

Sec. 1. Governor and council authorized to lease the right to harvest kelp on submerged lands seaward of low water mark. The power to lease the right to gather and harvest kelp on the submerged lands and reefs

within the jurisdiction of this state, seaward of mean low water mark, and east of sixty-nine degrees forty-five minutes west longitude, is hereby vested in the governor and council who shall have authority to make leases to such persons and upon such terms and for such length of time except as hereinafter limited, as they may prescribe.

- Sec. 2. Leases not to extend longer than thirty years. No lease shall be executed for a period of over thirty years, but any lease executed as provided in section one may be renewed by the lessee for a further period to be fixed by the parties.
- Sec. 3. Minimum rental fixed; plot of location to be filed with secretary of state. The rental to be paid to the state for these rights shall be not less than three dollars per annum per square mile of territory covered by said lease and shall be determined by the governor and council. The lessee shall file with the secretary of state a plot showing the location of the territory desired to be leased with the boundaries located thereon.

Approved April 1, 1927.

Chapter 46.

An Act Relating to the Digging of Clams in Wells, in the County of York. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

- Sec. 1. Digging of clams in Wells limited. It shall be unlawful for any person not an inhabitant of the state of Maine, or not a temporary resident of the town of Wells, in the county of York, to dig clams within said town of Wells; such inhabitants of the state of Maine and temporary residents of the town of Wells shall dig not more than one-half bushel in any one day for home consumption, within this state.
- Sec. 2. Inhabitants only, may dig clams for commercial purposes. No person, not an inhabitant of said town of Wells shall dig clams for commercial purposes within said town.
- Sec. 3. Clam hoe must be used. No clams shall be dug within the limits of said town of Wells other than with a clam hoe.
- Sec. 4. Penalties. Whoever violates the provisions of this act, for each offense, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding thirty days.

Approved April 1, 1927.