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CHAP. 105

'Sec. 25. Governor and Council may acquire land and erect houses near state institutions for care of state paupers. Persons found in places not incorporated and needing relief, are under the care of the overseers of the oldest incorporated adjoining town, or the nearest incorporated town where there are none adjoining, who shall furnish relief to such persons, as if they were found in such towns; and such overseers may bind out persons described in section twenty-three in manner therein provided, residing in such unincorporated place, as if in their own town, and such persons shall be entitled to a like remedy and relief. When relief is so provided, the towns so furnishing it have the same remedies against the towns of their settlement as if they resided in the town so furnishing relief. And when such paupers have no legal settlement in the state, the state shall reimburse said town for the relief furnished, to such an amount as the governor and council adjudge to have been necessarily expended therefor. And the reasonable expenses and services of said overseers relative to such paupers, shall be included in the amount to be so reimbursed by the state. The governor and council may, in their discretion, make such other arrangements as they may deem advisable for the care and support of paupers and other dependent persons having no settlement within the state. They may acquire property adjoining any state institution and erect suitable houses thereon, or may erect such houses on land owned by the state, for the occupancy of such persons, and may order such persons placed therein and cared for and employed in or at such institution or elsewhere under the direction of the superintendent of any such institution, and the expense of acquiring such property or erecting such houses shall be paid from the appropriation for support of paupers and other dependent persons having no settlement within the state. Whenever such persons are so employed elsewhere than in or at such institution said superintendent shall contract for the payment of wages for such employment which shall be collected by him, paid into the state treasury, and credited to said appropriation for support of paupers and other dependent persons having no settlement within the state and used, under the direction of the governor and council, for the support of the families of such persons.'

Approved April 11, 1927.

Chapter 105.

An Act Relating to State Aid Apportioned to Cities and Towns for the Improvement of Highways.

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

Sec. 1. Unexpended state aid road money to be added to next appro-

priation. All moneys previously apportioned by the state to cities and towns as "state aid" for the improvement of highways, now in the state treasury and which has remained therein unexpended for three years or more shall be added to the next regular appropriation to be apportioned to the cities and towns by the state highway commission.

Sec. 2. Future unexpended appropriations for highways apportioned cities and towns, how disposed of. All moneys hereafter apportioned by the state to the cities and towns for the improvement of highways, which shall remain in the state treasury unexpended for a period of three years, may at the option of the state highway commission, be added to the regular biennial appropriation for state aid to be by said commission apportioned to said cities and towns.

Approved April 11, 1927.

Chapter 106.

An Act Relating to the Conveyance of Pupils of High School Grade.

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

R. S., c. 16, sec. 78; P. L., 1923, c. 59; relating to free high schools, conveyance of pupils, state aid, etc., amended. Section seventy-eight of chapter sixteen of the revised statutes as amended by chapter fifty-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred twenty-three is hereby amended by inserting after the word "conveyance" in line nine the words 'or board' so that the section shall read as follows:

Sec. 78. Towns may raise money to board pupils attending secondary schools. Any town may establish and maintain not exceeding two free high schools; and in such case shall receive the same state aid as if the expenditure for both schools had been made for one. Two or more adjoining towns may unite in establishing and maintaining a free high school, and both shall receive the same state aid as if such school had been maintained by one town. Any town may, in addition to the sums raised for the support of high and common schools, raise and appropriate a sum for the payment of conveyance or board of pupils attending secondary schools, said sum to be expended under the direction of the superintending school committee. Provided, that in cases of pupils who reside on islands within towns and cities and on which there is no secondary school and from which regular transportation lines are established and in operation, said towns and cities shall pay transportation charges of said children; provided, however, that such transportation shall be over regular lines, at not to exceed regular fares and no subsidy; provided, also,