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CHAP. 246

Chapter 246.

An Act to Increase the Salary of the Register of Deeds in the County of Franklin. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 117, sec. 43; as amended; relating to salaries of registers of deeds, further amended. Section forty-three of chapter one hundred and seventeen of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and fourteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, as amended by chapter two hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, as amended by chapter one hundred and four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, as amended by chapter forty-five of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-five, is hereby further amended by striking out in the eighth line thereof the words "Franklin, eleven hundred dollars" and inserting in place thereof the words 'Franklin, thirteen hundred dollars,' so that said eighth line as amended, shall read as follows:

Franklin county increased. 'Franklin, thirteen hundred dollars.'

Approved April 16, 1927.

Chapter 247.

An Act Relating to Forest Land Exempted from Taxation.

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

- R. S., c. 10, sec. 6, par. XI; relating to exemption from taxation of cultivated forests, amended. Paragraph eleven of section six of chapter ten of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "situated" in the seventh line the following: 'in which is set forth his statement that such land is set apart for the sole purpose of reforestation, for the benefit of the state, and if the assessors find, upon hearing and inspection, that such is the exclusive purpose,' so that said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:
- 'Sec. 6. Owner's statement to set forth certain facts; hearing and inspection by assessors. XI. Whenever a land owner plants or sets apart for the growth and production of forest trees any cleared land or lands from which the primitive forest has been removed, and successfully cultivates the same for three years, the trees being not less in numbers than six hundred and forty on each acre and well distributed over the same, then, on application of the owner or occupant thereof to the assessors of

the town in which such land is situated, in which is set forth his statement that such land is set apart for the sole purpose of reforestation, for the benefit of the state, and if the assessors find, upon hearing and inspection, that such is the exclusive purpose, the same shall be exempted from taxation for twenty years, after the expiration of said three years, provided, that said applicant at the same time files with said assessors a correct plan of such land with a description of its location, and a statement of all the facts in relation to the growth and cultivation of said incipient forest; provided, further, that such grove or plantation of trees is during that period kept alive and in thriving condition.'

Approved April 16, 1927.

Chapter 248.

An Act to Provide for Compensation for Justices of the Superior Courts. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

- Sec. 1. Salaries of superior court justices fixed at \$6,000. The justices of the superior courts shall each receive an annual salary of six thousand dollars, together with actual expenses as now provided by law.
- Sec. 2. Conflicting statutes amended to conform. Chapter one hundred seventeen, section six, of the revised statutes; chapter two hundred sixty, section nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred seventeen; chapter nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred nineteen; and chapter one hundred ninety-two, section one of the public laws of nineteen hundred twenty-one, are each amended in accordance with this chapter.
- Sec. 3. Retroactive to January 1, 1927. The provisions of this act shall relate back to January first, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, so that the increase herein provided shall take effect as of that date.

Approved April 16, 1927.

Chapter 249.

An Act Relating to Bounty on Porcupines or Hedgehogs. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Bounty on hedgehogs provided for; special provisions relating to Maine forestry district; procedure to obtain bounty; form of certificate. A bounty of twenty-five cents for each and every porcupine, or hedgehog, so-called, killed in any town or unincorporated place, in the state, shall be paid by