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## ACTS AND RESOLVES

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# **PUBLIC LAWS**

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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

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the treasurer of such town to the person killing it, except that in the Maine Forestry District such bounty shall be paid only in case such animal is killed between the fifteenth day of October and the first day of April in each year, both days inclusive. If the animal is killed in an unincorporated place, the bounty shall be paid by the treasurer of an adjoining town, if any, otherwise by the treasurer of the nearest town. No bounty shall be paid unless the claimant within ten days after he has killed such animal or has returned from the hunting, in which he killed it, exhibits to the town treasurer, the entire nose and feet thereof, in as perfect a state as when killed, except natural decay, and signs and makes oath to a certificate, in which he shall state that he killed such animal, and the time and place, showing it to be within the state; the treasurer shall thereupon entirely destroy said nose and feet by burning; then he shall pay the bounty and take the claimant's receipt therefor upon the same paper with such certificate. The town treasurer shall immediately make upon the same paper a certificate, under oath, addressed to the treasurer of state, that he first destroyed said nose and feet by burning, and then paid said bounty to the claimant. Said certificates and receipts shall annually, in December, be transmitted to the treasurer of state, and by him laid before the governor and council as early as convenient; and when allowed by them shall be paid by the treasurer of state to such towns. The certificate shall be in the following form:

#### CLAIMANT'S CERTIFICATE

To the treasurer of
day of
Dated at, this day of
Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and year aforesaid.
Treasurer of
CLAIMANT'S RECEIPT
On this day of A. D. 19, I received of

dollars, being the bounty allowed by law for killing the porcu-
pine or hedgehog described in the above certificate.
Claimant.
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TREASURER'S RECEIPT
I hereby certify that as required by law, I first destroyed by burning the nose and feet of the porcupine or hedgehog described in the foregoing certificate, and then paid to said the bounty for which I have taken his receipt as above.
Dated at, this day of
Treasurer of
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### Chapter 250.

An Act Relative to the County Commissioners of Cumberland County.

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

R. S., c. 117, sec. 42; as amended; relating to salaries of county commissioners, further amended. Section forty-two of chapter one hundred and seventeen of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "fifteen hundred dollars" in the seventh line of said section and inserting in place thereof the words 'seventeen hundred fifty dollars,' so that said seventh line of said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Cumberland county increased. 'Cumberland, seventeen hundred fifty dollars.'

Approved April 16, 1927.

## Chapter 251.

An Act Relating to a Tax on Gasoline.

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

Sec. 1. P. L., 1923, c. 224, sec. 2; 1925, c. 212; relating to excise tax on internal combustion fuels, amended. Section two of chapter two hundred twenty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, as amended by chapter two hundred twelve of the public laws of nineteen