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amended section, after the word "used" the following: 'for the administration and collection of the tax provided for by this act, and the remainder of said moneys shall be appropriated and used' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 8. Moneys received shall be appropriated and used for the administration and collection of the tax and the remainder apportioned as designated. All moneys received through the provisions of this act by the treasurer of state shall be appropriated and used for the administration and collection of the tax provided for by this act, and the remainder of said moneys shall be appropriated and used in the following manner, namely: eighteen and three-quarters per cent thereof for the maintenance of state and state aid highways, interstate, intrastate and international bridges; twelve and one-half per cent thereof shall be added to the balance of the fund for the construction of third class highways; twenty-five per cent thereof shall be added to the fund for construction of state aid highways; forty-three and three-quarters per cent thereof shall be used for the construction or reconstruction of state highways. Any unexpended balances from the above apportionments shall not lapse but shall be carried forward to the same fund for the next fiscal year, except that any balance of the appropriation herein made for the construction of state aid highways, after allotments, in full as applied for by the towns have been made yearly, shall be added to the fund for construction of third class highways. If the moneys, provided for by this section, have not been collected or for any reason are not available for the purposes herein specified, the governor and council may issue their warrant to the treasurer of state, authorizing him to advance and pay from any moneys then in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums of money as they may deem necessary to carry on the construction and maintenance of highways and bridges, until such time as said moneys shall become available for said purposes, at which time all necessary adjustments may be made on the books of the state auditor and state treasurer.'

Approved March 19, 1929.

Chapter 94.

An Act to Omit the Word "Male" from the Qualification of Voters.

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

R. S., c. 5, sec. 2; P. L., 1919, c. 113; relating to qualification of voters, further amended. Section two of chapter five of the revised statutes as amended by chapter one hundred and thirteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen is hereby further amended by striking out the word "male" in the first line and the words "other male" in the fourth

line of said section so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Every citizen with necessary qualifications acquires voting residence in three months. Every citizen who had the right to vote on the fourth day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, together with those who were sixty years of age and upwards on said day, and every citizen, excepting paupers, persons under guardianship, and Indians not taxed, who, not being prevented by physical disability from so doing, is able to read the constitution of the state in the English language in such manner as to show that he is neither prompted nor reciting from memory, and to write his name, and who is twenty-one years of age or upwards, and shall have his residence established in this state for the term of three months next preceding any national, state, city or town election, shall have the right to vote at every such election in the city, town, or plantation where his residence is so established, and such right to vote at national and state elections in such city, town, or plantation shall continue for a period of three months after his removal therefrom, if he continues to reside in this state during said period; provided, however, that his name has been properly entered upon the voting list of such city, town or plantation.'

Approved March 19, 1929.

Chapter 95.

An Act Relating to Administration Upon Estates of Persons Who Have Disappeared and Not Been Heard From for a Period of at Least Seven Years From the Date of Disappearance.

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

Estates of persons whose disappearance is continued for period of seven years may be administered upon. If a person entitled to, or having an interest in personal property within the jurisdiction of this state, has disappeared from the place within this state where he was last known to be or resided, and his disappearance is followed by a continued absence for a period of not less than seven years from the date of disappearance, during which period he is unheard from; and a petition is made to the probate court in the county in which said person last resided, or in which he left said property of the value of at least twenty dollars, which petition shall allege the disappearance, continued absence and presumption of death of said person, and request the allowance of the will of said person, if he left one, or the appointment of an administrator, if he is alleged to have died intestate; and the said probate court, after notice and hearing thereon, shall issue letters testamentary or of administration upon his estate; then any payment due the estate of said person made to the executor or administrator thereof, shall be valid, and the receipt or release given by said