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STATE GEOLOGIST.

Chapter 183.

An Act Relating to a State Geologist.

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

Sec. 1. State geologist. The governor shall appoint a state geologist to serve for a term of two years.

Sec. 2. Duties defined. The duties of the state geologist shall be to investigate the mineral resources of the state of Maine, developed and undeveloped; to promote and direct research in the possibilities for the commercial development of mineral deposits; to collect and compile data on Maine geology, including mineral specimens; to assist any department of state which shall request his assistance; to recommend legislation suitable for stimulating the business of mining; and to do such other things as may be necessary in the proper performance of the foregoing duties.

Sec. 3. Information shall be disclosed to land owner. All data and information secured by the state geologist in examination of any mineral deposit or geological formation shall be disclosed forthwith to the owner of the land examined, together with information and recommendations regarding the possibilities for commercial development, with special reference to Maine persons and enterprises interested; and such information shall not be given by the state geologist to any other person during one week following the disclosure to the owner of the land.

Sec. 4. Report annually to governor; printed and distributed. The state geologist shall report annually to the governor and council regarding his activities for the preceding year. The report shall contain a description of all lands and properties examined, with particular reference to the possibilities for profitable development and the problems of operation, including the name and address of the owner, distance from improved roads, distance from railroad shipping points; also specific recommendations for action by the legislature to encourage search for, and development of. mineral deposits; and such other data as may appear to have practical value. The report shall be printed and sent free to owners of lands described therein, to all known operators of mines and guarries within the state, to all departments of state, and to members of the legislature; also to all public libraries and to high schools, academies, and colleges within the state; and to any other persons upon payment of a reasonable charge covering the cost of the report.

Sec. 5. Headquarters at University of Maine. The state geologist may establish his headquarters at the University of Maine. The trustees of the University of Maine may employ the state geologist as a member of

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the faculty and assign to him duties connected with teaching and educational research in geology and kindred subjects.

Sec. 6. Appropriation. For the purposes of this act there is hereby appropriated the sum of two thousand dollars for the fiscal year ending June thirty, nineteen hundred and thirty, and the sum of two thousand dollars for the fiscal year ending June thirty, nineteen hundred and thirtyone. This money shall be held in the state treasury at the disposal of the state geologist for such purposes as the governor and council may approve.

Approved April 3, 1929.

Chapter 184.

An Act Relating to the Capturing of Bees.

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

Sec. 1. Bees not to be taken on land of another. No person shall enter upon the land of another for the purpose of capturing, destroying or interfering with a swarm of bees which is already established, or removing honey from same, except by the consent of the owner of such land.

Sec. 2. Penalty for violation. Whoever violates the provisions of this act shall be subject to a penalty of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each offense.

Approved April 3, 1929.

Chapter 185.

An Act with Reference to the Attorney General and to the Arrest and Apprehension of Criminals.

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

R. S., c. 82, sec. 72; P. L., 1917, c. 283; P. L., 1919, c. 229; relating to appropriation for attorney general's department increased to \$12,500, amended. Section seventy-two of chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and eighty-three of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, and as amended by chapter two hundred and twenty-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 72. Warrants to be drawn by governor and council in expending appropriation. Such sum as may be appropriated for said purpose may be expended under the direction of the attorney general. The governor and council may draw their warrants from time to time, for the expenditure of said sum upon the presentation of bills properly avouched by the

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