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AS PASSED BY THE

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Chapter 286.

An Act to Simplify Civil Procedure.

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

Action of assumpsit. The action of assumpsit shall lie in any case in which either an action of debt or an action of covenant is now maintainable; under the plea of non-assumpsit, the defenses available under the plea of general issue in either of said actions shall be available.

Approved April 9, 1929.

Chapter 287.

An Act to Regulate the Manufacture of Bedding.

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

Sec. 1. Mattress material shall not have had prior use; exceptions. No person shall manufacture for sale, sell, lease, offer to sell or lease, or deliver or consign in sale or lease, or have in his possession with intent to sell, lease, deliver or consign in sale or lease any mattress which in making, or re-making has been filled with any material of which prior use has been made, unless since last used such material has been thoroughly sterilized and disinfected by a reasonable process approved by the commissioner of health, and unless such mattress shall bear securely attached thereto a substantial cloth tag upon which shall be plainly and indelibly stamped or printed in English, a statement showing that the material so used is second hand in part or in whole, as the case may be, and that it has been disinfected or sterilized according to law.

Sec. 2. State department of health charged with enforcement. The state department of health is charged with the enforcement of this act and the commissioner of health by himself, his agents, any local health officer, or any officer qualified to serve civil or criminal processes, shall have the power to seize and hold for evidence at a trial for the violation of this act any mattress made, re-made, or offered for sale in violation of this act, and all places where mattresses are made, re-made, or offered for sale or where sterilizing or disinfecting is performed under this act shall be subject to inspection by the commissioner of health or any of his agents, including local health officers.

Sec. 3. False statement on tag unlawful. It shall be unlawful to make any false statement on any tag required under section one of this act, or to remove, alter or deface any such tag placed on any mattress in accordance with this act.

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Sec. 4. Penalty for violation. Any person violating any provision of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than ten dollars and not more than fifty dollars for each offence.

Sec. 5. Word person defined. The word "person" as used herein shall include individuals, corporations, copartnerships and associations, but shall not include persons making, re-making or renovating mattresses not intended for sale, lease or consignment in sale or lease, and shall not include executors and administrators of estates of decedents.

Approved April 9, 1929.

Chapter 288.

An Act Relating to the Establishment of Residence for Certain Purposes.

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

Husband and wife may be deemed to have separate residence. For purposes of voting, office-holding, or serving on jury, husband and wife may be deemed each to have a separate residence; such residence to be determined as in the case of other persons.

Approved April 9, 1929.

Chapter 289.

An Act Relating to Application for Soldiers' Bonus.

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

P. L., 1919, c. 264, sec. 3; P. L., 1921, c. 100; P. L., 1923, c. 55; P. L., 1925, c. 1; relating to soldiers' bonus, further amended. Section three of chapter two hundred and sixty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, as amended by chapter one hundred of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, and chapter fifty-five of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three and chapter one of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-five, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "before the first day of January, nineteen hundred twenty-nine" in the third line and substituting in place thereof the words 'July nineteen hundred and twenty-five,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 3. Time extended to 1933. Applications for such bonus shall be filed with the adjutant general, on forms provided by him, before the first day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-three. Such application shall