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Chapter 87.

AN ACT Relative to the Trapping of Fur-Bearing Animals.

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

R. S., c. 38, sec. 50; relative to setting of traps, amended. Section fifty of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out, in the fifth and sixth lines thereof, the words "within one mile of any cultivated land or pasture", so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 50. Traps shall be visited every twenty-four hours; exception. Traps shall not be set within half a mile of compact or built-up portion of any town. Any person setting a trap in any organized or incorporated place shall visit or cause the same to be visited, at least once in every twenty-four hours, except water-sets, so-called, for mink and muskrat, and remove therefrom, or cause to be removed, any animal found caught therein. No person shall set a trap on or in any organized or incorporated place without first obtaining the written consent of the owner or occupant of the land on which said trap is to be set, or set a trap outside his own land, except a water-set trap, so-called, within half a mile of the compact or built-up portion of any city or village.'

Approved March 20, 1931.

Chapter 88.

AN ACT Relating to the Investment of Municipal Trust Funds.

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

R. S., c. 5, sec. 93, amended, relating to bonds of water districts. Section ninety-three of chapter five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "towns," in the eleventh line of said section, the words: 'and the bonds of water districts located in the state of Maine, and chartered and organized as quasi-municipal corporations under the laws thereof, which are the direct obligation of said water districts'; so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 93. Investment of trust funds. Any city or town which has a funded indebtedness may create a sinking fund for the payment and redemption of such indebtedness and may raise money by taxation for such purpose. City and town officers and officers of quasi-municipal corporations shall hereafter invest all permanent funds including sinking funds,

permanent school funds, and money or credits deposited with them for perpetual care of lots in cemeteries, in the legal obligations of the United States of America; the states of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut; New York, and Pennsylvania, and the bonds of the several counties, cities, and towns in the several states above named which are the direct obligation of said counties, cities, and towns, and the bonds of water districts located in the state of Maine, and chartered and organized as quasi-municipal corporations under the laws thereof, which are the direct obligation of said water districts, or may deposit the same on time deposit in banks or trust companies, organized under the laws of this state or of the United States, and not otherwise; and unless otherwise specifically provided by the terms of the grant or bequest the annual income, only, shall be expended in performance of the requirements of the trust. Provided that this section shall not be construed to require any change of investments made prior to July seven, nineteen hundred twenty-three. But when the indebtedness for payment of which a sinking fund is created is refunded or paid by such city or town by a new loan, any stocks, bonds or securities in said sinking fund, other than its own bonds, may be withdrawn therefrom and shall not be regarded as pledged for payment of the new loan unless afterward returned to the sinking fund.'

Approved March 20, 1931.

Chapter 89.

AN ACT Relating to the Number of Ballots to be Provided at Elections.

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

R. S., c. 8, sec. 4. Relating to number of ballots to be provided at elections, amended. Section four of chapter eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the following, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 4. Number of ballots to be provided. There shall be provided for each voting place, at which an election is to be held, one set of such general ballots and one set of ballots containing any constitutional amendment or other question submitted to the vote of the people, each of not less than seventy-five for every fifty and fraction of fifty votes cast in said voting place at the next preceding election, city, state, or national, corresponding to and in congruity with the election for which said ballots are to be provided.'

Approved March 20, 1931.