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of, and such action shall revert the title to the lands or rights so vacated in the persons, their heirs, and assigns, in whom it was vested at the time of the taking, and the value at the time of vacation may be pleaded in mitigation of damages in any proceedings therefor on account of such taking. The governor and council on recommendation of the commission may sell and convey on behalf of the state the interests of the state in property acquired by purchase under this section and deemed no longer necessary for the purposes hereof, and the proceeds of such sale shall so far as practicable be credited to the fund from which such purchase was originally made.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 28, relating to state highways and bridges, amended by **additional section.** Chapter 28 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section, to be numbered 89:

'Sec. 89. Notice to mortgagee on taking of land by eminent domain. No land shall be taken for public purposes, either by the state or any subdivision thereof, and no public highway shall be discontinued, unless 15 days' notice in writing is given to any holder of record of a mortgage covering any of said land so taken, or abutting on said highway. Said notice shall be sent by registered mail addressed to said mortgage holder's place of abode, if known, otherwise to the abode or address as set forth in said record.'

Approved March 23, 1933.

Chapter 136.

AN ACT Relating to Absentee Voters.

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

R. S., c. 9, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 9 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Term "absentee voters" defined. An absentee voter is hereby defined to be any person who is a duly qualified registered voter and, in respect to any primary election, duly enrolled as a member of the political party in the primary of which he proposes to vote, but who, through absence from the city or town in which he is entitled to vote, except when he is serving a sentence in jail or in any penal institution, after conviction, in this or any other state, of a criminal offense, is unable to cast his ballot at the polling place where he is entitled to vote, at any city election, at any primary election held pursuant to sections 1, 23, and 24 of chapter 7, or at any general or special state election as the term state election is defined in section 1 of chapter 8, including also elections for the choice of electors of president and vice-president of the United States, elections

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held in accordance with the initiative or referendum provisions of the constitution of Maine, and elections to vote upon amendments to the constitution of Maine.'

Approved March 23, 1933.

Chapter 137.

AN ACT Relating to the Construction and Maintenance of Bridges on State Highways.

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

P. L., 1931, c. 93, § 1 repealed. Section 1 of chapter 93 of the public laws of 1931 is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 1. Bridges to be cared for by the state. The construction, reconstruction, improvement and maintenance of all bridges on state highways, and all approaches thereto, shall be borne wholly by the state.'

Approved March 23, 1933.

Chapter 138.

AN ACT Relating to State Aid to Academies.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, at this particular period the estimated and probable revenues of the state for the ensuing 2 years will be insufficient to meet the estimated expenditures of the state, based on the requirements of the law as now existing, and

Whereas, it is imperative that the strictest economy be exercised in the disbursement of the public moneys, and

Whereas, economy can be exercised by reducing the amounts paid to academies in the state without seriously crippling the efficiency of the academies, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, now therefore

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 19, § 105, ¶ I, amended. Paragraph I of section 105 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'I. State aid to academies. Whenever it shall be made to appear to the governor and council, from returns made as herein provided, that any