

# ACTS AND RESOLVES

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# Private and Special Laws

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# STATE OF MAINE

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# 1933

# Chapter 75.

#### AN ACT to Reduce Certain Fees of Deputy Sheriffs for the Next Two Years.

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

Sec. 1. Suspension of certain laws. From the effective date of this Act the operation of all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with any of the provisions of this act are hereby suspended for a period of 2 years only.

Sec. 2. Fees reduced. Every deputy sheriff and court messenger while in attendance upon the supreme judicial court or the superior court in their several counties shall receive for said attendance and service the sum of \$4.50 per day and said deputy sheriffs shall not receive any other or additional compensation for any services whatsoever performed by them while in attendance upon said courts or upon either of them. Every deputy sheriff, while performing special duties under order of the sheriff shall receive for such services the sum of \$4.50 per day, together with necessary incidental expenses, including traveling expenses incurred in the performance of official business at not exceeding 7 cents per mile, to be paid from the county treasury, the bills for which shall be audited as provided in section I of chapter I48. Said deputy sheriffs shall not receive any other or further compensation for any services whatsoever performed in the capacity of deputy sheriff while performing said special duties under order of the sheriff.

Sec. 3. Limitation of act. This act shall remain in effect for a period of 2 years only from the taking effect thereof.

Approved March 31, 1933.

## Chapter 76.

### AN ACT Creating a Commission to Investigate the Need of Legislation Relating to the Lobster Industry.

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

Commission to study and investigate laws relating to lobster industry. The governor and council are hereby authorized and directed to appoint a commission consisting of 5 suitable and competent men to make a study of the lobster industry and prepare a report making such recommendations to the 87th legislature as they deem advisable, with special consideration of the conservation of the industry, the sizes of lobsters in commercial demand and the desirability of uniform laws in the various states producing lobsters.

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Of the 5 members of this commission, I shall be a biologist from the faculty of the University of Maine; I a lobster fisherman who is in favor of the present law as to the legal length of lobsters; I a lobster fisherman who is in favor of a change in the present legal length of lobsters; I a wholesale lobster dealer; and I other competent person. The commission shall make a study of the breeding and reproduction of lobsters, shall confer with the fishermen and dealers in this and other states regarding production and sale of lobsters and the problems arising therefrom; shall confer with the United States Department of Commerce and Labor and with similar commissions from other states or with legislative committees of other states or with department heads of other states that have the lobster industry under their charge, for the purpose of accomplishing the object for which this committee is appointed. The department of sea and shore fisheries shall furnish any desired information that is available to the commission and shall assist the commission in every possible way. This commission shall serve without pay but shall receive such actual expenses as are reasonably incurred in the performance of its duties, to be paid from the funds of the department of sea and shore fisheries in an amount not exceeding \$500.

#### Approved March 31, 1933.

### Chapter 77.

## AN ACT Providing Flexibility in the Handling of State Revenues and Expenditures During the Period of the Present State Cash Stringency.

**Emergency Preamble.** Whereas: As a result of the existing depression in the United States and in the State of Maine, a general condition has arisen which operates to curtail the direct revenues of the state, and

Whereas: As a result of said depression banks in a considerable number within the State of Maine are closed, in which banks the state of Maine has on deposit funds aggregating approximately a million dollars which are not presently available and which may be reduced in amount when they become available by reason of the scaling down of deposits under an act heretofore passed by this legislature, and

Whereas: As a result of laws now in force it is anticipated that the cash available and to be available with the receipts from direct taxation and indirect sources will be insufficient to carry on all of the functions of government unless pooled for a common purpose, and

Whereas: The pooling of indirect revenues and the making of the same available for general expenditure without regard to existing statutes requiring the segregation of funds for special purposes will make it possible to so carry on all the functions, and