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STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Eighty-Eighth Legislature

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## Chapter 94

### AN ACT Relating to Punishment for Certain Offenses.

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

R. S., c. 129, § 22, amended. Section 22 of chapter 129 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 22. Extortion, or compulsion, by threats, or maliciously vexing or tormenting another; penalty. Whoever, verbally, or by written or printed communication maliciously threatens to accuse another of a crime or offense, or to injure his person or property, with intent thereby to extort money or to procure any advantage from him, or to compel him to do any act against his will, and whoever being more than 16 years of age wilfully and wantonly or maliciously vexes, irritates, harasses, or torments any person in any way, after having been forbidden so to do, by any sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable, police officer, or justice of the peace, and whoever without reasonable cause or provocation wilfully and wantonly or maliciously vexes, irritates, harasses, or torments any person by communications to, or conversation with, such person over or by means of any telephone, or calls out any fire department, police department, or other municipal department, or any portion or persons thereof, by intentionally giving a false alarm or call to such department or to any officer or member thereof by means of any telephone line or lines, when such offense is of a high and aggravated nature, be deemed guilty of a felony and on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 2 years, but when such offense is not of a high and aggravated nature, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months.'

Approved March 31, 1937.

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## Chapter 95

### AN ACT Relating to Removal of Obstructions at Grade Crossings by Municipal Officers or County Commissioners.

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

R. S., c. 64, § 90, amended. Section 90 of chapter 64 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 90. Municipal officers, or county commissioners, on order of commission, to remove obstructions; 10 days' notice to be given to interested parties. At every crossing of a highway or other way and a steam railroad at grade and at every crossing of a highway or other way and an electric railroad at grade the municipal officers of the town or county commissioners in the case of unorganized places in which the crossing is located are given authority and are hereby required, when by order directed so to do by the public utilities commission, after 10 days' notice to all persons interested, to remove embankments and other obstructions within highway limits and to enter upon private property and properly trim, cut down, or remove, and from time to time as may be necessary to keep trimmed, cut down, and removed, bushes, trees, fences, sign-boards, and encroachments which obstruct the view of an engine, train, or car by a traveler at or near any such crossing. The authority of the commission in any order, and of the municipal officers or county commissioners acting thereunder shall not extend beyond a point 150 feet on either side of any such crossing measured along the highway or other way or beyond a point 300 feet on either side of any such crossing measured along the railroad right of way, the purpose herein being to enable a traveler on any such way, when such traveler is 150 feet or less distant from any such crossing, to have a fair view of an approaching train, engine, or car from one or more angles continuously from the time such train, engine, or car is 300 feet from such crossing until it has passed over the same.'

Approved March 31, 1937.

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## Chapter 96

### AN ACT Relative to Game Preserve in Androscoggin County.

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

R. S., c. 38, § 90, amended. Section 90 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

'Androscoggin game preserve: It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, chase, molest, catch, kill or destroy any wild bird or wild animal at any time on the following described territory; bounded southerly by the Waterman road, so-called, which extends from state highway number 4 easterly to the Androscoggin river; bounded westerly by the Turner road and Upper street to Turner Center; northerly by the road leading from Turner Center to Turner Center bridge and to the town of Greene, and easterly by the east bank of the Androscoggin river to a point where a line