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AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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charge of the administration of any city, town or plantation, no suit shall be brought or maintained against such commissioner or commissioners nor against the said municipality, and the enforcement of all claims, liens, debts, judgments, attachments or other actions then pending or subsisting against said municipality shall be suspended and continued until said commissioner or commissioners shall have completed their duties and relinquished their authority over such municipality, except that they may authorize the payment of any such claims in their discretion prior to such relinquishment. During the period of the control by said commissioner or commissioners, the statute of limitations shall not run on any obligations of the city, town or plantation.'

Sec. 4. P. L., 1933, c. 284, § 8, amended. Section 8, of chapter 284 of the public laws of 1933 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 8. Duration of power of board. Said board shall continue in charge of the government and financial affairs of said city, town or plantation until such time as its taxes due the state, or loans made therefor, expenses or obligations incurred by said commissioner or commissioners, or the board of emergency municipal finance shall have been paid and until in the opinion of the commissioner or commissioners, or the emergency municipal finance board, the financial affairs of said city, town or plantation may be resumed under local control.'

Sec. 5. The following section is hereby added to chapter 284 of the public laws of 1933:

'Sec. 9. Act to apply to unincorporated areas. This act shall apply to any towns or plantations that may be or may have been deorganized by act of the legislature.'

Approved April 24, 1937.

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## Chapter 234

### AN ACT Relating to Liquor Licenses.

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

P. L., 1933, c. 268, § 13, amended. Section 13 of chapter 268 of the public laws of 1933, as amended by section 3 of chapter 79 of the public laws of 1935, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 13. Retail license fees. The fee for licenses for each hotel and restaurant shall be \$200 per annum, and the fee for licenses for clubs shall be \$100 per annum. For other retailers not authorized to sell for consump-

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tion on the premises, \$100 per annum, for each place to which licenses apply; provided, however, that the license fee for summer hotels, clubs, and restaurants shall be \$50.'

Approved April 24, 1937.

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## Chapter 235

**AN ACT to Regulate and Restrain the Manufacture, Sale, Transportation, Importation, Traffic in and Use of Liquor, Malt Liquor, Wine and Spirits and to Increase the Fees for Licenses.**

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, there is urgent necessity for amendment to existing legislation regulating and restraining the manufacture, transportation, sale and consumption of intoxicating liquors, malt liquors, wines and spirits to correct abuses that have arisen since the enacting of such laws; for the purpose of defining and limiting the rights and privileges granted under such laws and to provide for a more rigid enforcement thereof; and

Whereas, a continuation of the abuses that have arisen under the existing laws is injurious to the public health, peace and safety of the citizens of the state; and

Whereas, there is urgent need for additional revenue to meet new demands upon the state to promote health, happiness and comfort of its citizens; and

Whereas, the malt liquor license fees as now provided are inadequate and ought to be increased; and

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

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

**Sec. 1.** P. L., 1933, c. 268, § 15, amended. Section 15 of chapter 268 of public laws of 1933 is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'**Sec. 15.** Persons to whom licenses shall not be granted. No license shall be issued to any natural person unless he shall be 21 years of age, and shall have been a citizen of the United States, and of this state for a period of at least 2 years; provided, however, that any person holding a license at the time of the effective date of this act and who has received