

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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Legislatures

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

From April 7, 1935 to April 24, 1937

AND MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS

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# Private and Special Laws

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Eighty-Eighth Legislature

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## Chapter 1

### AN ACT Relating to Old Age Assistance.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, the social security act (public 271, 74th congress), provides for federal grants to states for old-age assistance, and

Whereas, the said act provides that there must be financial participation by the states in this form of aid, and

Whereas, the requirements for aid for many of our aged inhabitants make it imperative that the state shall grant aid to the limit of its ability to such persons and that it shall procure its fair proportion of the federal money provided for said purpose, 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 require 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:*

**Continuation of old age assistance.** A tax of 10% on the sale price is hereby imposed on the purchase of all spirituous and vinous liquors sold in the state by the state during the period from January 18, 1937 to June 30, 1937, both dates inclusive. In case the amount of the tax to be collected does not result in even cents, the tax shall be for the next higher

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cent. In no case shall the tax be for less than 5 cents on any bottle. All price lists of the commission shall state the amount of the tax levied on each bottle.

The Maine state liquor commission shall collect the said tax from the purchaser and pay the amounts into the state treasury, and the state controller shall credit the same to the state contingent fund.

The amount collected is hereby appropriated for, and shall be used to provide for old age assistance from January 1, 1937 to June 30, 1937, in accordance with the provisions of the Social Security Act, and shall be administered by the Department of Health and Welfare in accordance with the plan established by order of the Governor and Council on December 27, 1935.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency recited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved January 14, 1937.

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## Chapter 2

### AN ACT Relative to the Deer Isle-Sedgwick Bridge District.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, any competing facility to said bridge would obviously reduce the gross earnings thereof and directly reflect in the funds necessary for maintenance, upkeep, repairs, and operation, interest on the debt and the payment of the principal and the retirement of bonds, and

Whereas, the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works now requires a legal guarantee, on or before February 1st, next, that following the opening of said bridge to traffic, no person, firm or corporation shall thereafter maintain and operate a competing facility, and

Whereas, the government offer of grant and/or loan of moneys necessary to the construction of said bridge is predicated upon the legal assurance last above mentioned, and

Whereas, in the opinion of the legislature these facts render the immediate passage of this act necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and constitute an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution; now, therefore,

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

P. & S. L., 1935, c. 88, § 5, amended. Section 5 of chapter 88 of the