

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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Legislatures

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Eighty-ninth Legislature

1939

Chapter 284

AN ACT Relating to Registration of Veterans' Graves.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, under the provisions of federal law it is possible to obtain employment for a large number of otherwise unemployable persons, provided the registration of veterans' graves be accepted by the state as a project, and

Whereas, many graves of veterans are not recorded, and difficult to locate, and it may soon be impossible to locate them, and

Whereas, the work on this project should be started at once, so that full advantage can be taken of the spring and summer conditions, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI 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:

Registration of veterans' graves. The adjutant general in co-operation with the Works Progress Administration of the United States shall cause to be made a record of, and plans of, places of burial of all deceased honorably discharged veterans of the army, navy or other military establishments of the United States (including those of the former Confederate States of America). There is hereby appropriated a sum not in excess of \$5000 to be paid from the general funds and to be expended under the direction of the governor and council to care for the necessary expenses of the state in co-operation on this project.

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

Approved April 21, 1939.

Chapter 285

AN ACT Amending the Law Relating to the Installation of Pick Clocks in Textile Factories.

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

P. L., 1937, c. 188, amended. Chapter 188 of the public laws of 1937 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Installation of pick clocks; penalty. The occupier or manager of every

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textile factory shall post in every room where any employees work by ~~the job piece rate~~, in legible writing or printing, and in sufficient numbers to be easily accessible to such employees, specifications of the character of each kind of work to be done by them and the rate of compensation, ~~whether paid by the pound or by the pick as registered by the pick clock on each loom.~~ Such specifications in the case of weaving rooms shall state the intended and maximum length of a cut or piece, the count per inch of ~~reed~~ reed, and the number of picks per inch, width of loom, width of cloth woven in the loom, ~~and the price per cut or piece, or per pound; or, if payment is made per pick or per yard, the price per pick or per yard;~~ and each warp shall bear a designating ticket or mark of identification; and in mills operating looms ~~on piece rate basis~~, engaged in the weaving of cloth or other textiles, where weavers are not paid on a per hour or day basis, pick clocks shall be placed on each loom in operation, and each weaver shall be paid according to the number of picks registered on said clock; provided, however, that this act shall not apply to so-called gang looms or the weaving of carpets or elastic webbing. Violation of any provision of this act shall for the 1st offense be punished by a fine of not more than \$50, for the 2nd offense by a fine of not more than \$100, and for a subsequent offense by a fine of not more than \$200 or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Approved April 21, 1939.

Chapter 286

AN ACT Relating to Interest on Small Loans.

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

R. S., c. 57, § 150, amended. Section 150 of chapter 57 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 150. Amount of loan and rate of interest limited. Every person, co-partnership and corporation licensed hereunder may loan any sum of money, goods or choses in action not exceeding in amount or value the sum of \$300, and may charge, contract for and receive thereon interest at a rate not to exceed 3% per month on that part of the unpaid principal balance of any loan not in excess of \$150, and 2½% per month on any remainder of such unpaid principal balance, provided, however, that a minimum charge of not exceeding 25c shall be allowable in all cases. No person shall owe any licensee at any time more than \$300 for principal. No licensee shall induce or permit any borrower to split up or divide any loan, and all sums owed by any person at any one time shall be considered