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## CHAP. 151

elected; and they shall be notified thereof by the secretary of state, and enter upon the discharge of official duties on the 1st day of January thereafter. If a number of persons, exceeding the number to be chosen, receive an equal number of votes, no one is elected.

To ascertain what persons have received the highest number of votes, the governor and council shall count and declare for any person all votes appearing by said returns to have been intentionally cast for him, although his name upon the return is misspelled or written with only the initial or initials of his christian name or names; and they may hear testimony upon oath, in relation to such returns, in order to get at the intention of the electors, and shall decide accordingly. This section shall be applied in determining the election of all county officers, and, so far as it relates to the examination and correction of returns, it shall be applied in determining the election of ~~state auditor~~ United States senator, representatives to congress, members of the legislature, and presidential electors. When a return is defective by reason of any informality, an attested copy of the record may be substituted therefor.'

Approved April 4, 1941

## Chapter 151

### AN ACT Relating to Apportionment of School Funds.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 19, § 207, amended. Section 207 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 207. Apportionment to towns for teaching positions. On the basis of information furnished to the commissioner of education by the return of educational statistics for the year ending July 1st, annually, as provided for by section 58, said commissioner shall apportion to each town the sum of \$100 for each teaching position, or a corresponding fractional part of \$100 for each fractional part of a teaching position maintained in the elementary and secondary schools of such town. Whenever any school is closed or suspended as provided for by section 2 of this chapter and pupils attending such school have been conveyed to another school under such conditions of conveyance as may be approved by the commissioner of education, there may be apportioned to the town in which such school was maintained such amount as, added to the amount apportioned under the provisions of this section on account of teaching positions, will give to said town, on account of said school, the same amount as though this

position had been maintained for the entire year. Provided, further, that so long as said school remains closed and satisfactory conveyance is maintained there may be apportioned the same amount as for the maintenance of a teaching position, provided, however, that the amount so apportioned shall not exceed  $\frac{1}{2}$  the cost of such conveyance.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 19, § 210, ¶ III, repealed. Paragraph III of section 210 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed.

Approved April 4, 1941

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## Chapter 152

### AN ACT Relating to Aid to Needy Children.

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

P. L., 1937, c. 177, § 1, amended. That part designated "(b)" of section 1 of chapter 177 of the public laws of 1937 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'(b) The term "dependent child" wherever used in this act shall be construed to mean a needy child under the age of 16, or under the age of 18 if found by the state agency to be regularly attending school, who has been deprived of parental support or care by reason of the death, continued absence from home, or the physical or mental incapacity of a parent and who is living with his father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, brother, sister, stepfather, stepmother, stepbrother, stepsister, uncle or aunt in a place of residence maintained by 1 or more of such relatives as his or their own home;'

Approved April 4, 1941

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## Chapter 153

### AN ACT Relative to Trapping of Bobcats in Aroostook County.

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

R. S., c. 38, § 72, ¶ (i), amended. Paragraph (i) of section 72 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'(i). Provided, further, that there shall be a closed season on trapping