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'The number of medical examiners so to be appointed shall be as follows: for the counties of Franklin, ~~Hancock~~, Knox, Lincoln, Piscataquis, Sagadahoc, Somerset and Waldo, 2 each; for the counties of **Hancock**, Oxford and Washington, 3 each; for the counties of Aroostook, Kennebec and York, 4 each; for the county of Androscoggin 5; and for the counties of Cumberland and Penobscot, 6 each; and they shall be appointed with reference to territorial distribution.'

Approved April 5, 1941

Chapter 195

AN ACT Relating to Duties of Overseers of the Poor.

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

R. S., c. 33, additional. Chapter 33 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section to be numbered 10-B, and to read as follows:

'Sec. 10-B. Duties may be delegated. Overseers may authorize some person whom they shall designate to perform such of the duties imposed upon them by this chapter, as they may determine; provided, however, that in cities and towns having a population of 10,000 or more the said overseers may designate more than 1 person to perform such duties. Before entering upon the performance of said duties, the person or persons so designated shall be sworn, and shall give bond to the town for the faithful performance thereof, in such sum and with such sureties as the overseers order.'

Approved April 5, 1941

Chapter 196

AN ACT Relating to the Personnel Law.

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

Sec. 1. P. L., 1937, c. 221, amended. Chapter 221 of the public laws of 1937 is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 1-A and to read as follows:

'Sec. 1-A. Short title. This act and all acts amendatory hereof shall be known and may be cited as the "Personnel Law".'

Sec. 2. P. L., 1937, c. 221, §2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 221 of the public laws of 1937 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. State personnel board. There is hereby created and established a state personnel board. It shall be composed of 3 members not more than 2 of whom shall be of the same political party. ~~The state budget officer shall be ex officio member of the board, and its chairman.~~ The ~~a~~ remaining members of the board shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council. One member of the board shall be designated by the governor as chairman. In the initial appointments of such members the governor shall designate ~~a~~ member for a term of ~~a~~ years and a ~~2nd~~ member for a term of ~~a~~ years. The term of all subsequent appointive members of the board shall be 4 years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Vacancies in the appointive membership of the board shall be filled within 60 days after the vacancy occurred by the governor with the advice and consent of the council for the unexpired portion of the term. The members of the board ~~other than the chairman~~ shall receive \$5 a day for the time actually spent in the discharge of their duties and their necessary expenses.'

Sec. 3. Appointment of new member. This act shall not be construed to affect, alter or change the tenure of the present appointive members of the board. It is hereby expressly provided, however, that in the appointment of the new member of the board to replace the state budget officer under the terms of this act the initial appointment shall be made by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, for a term of 3 years and thereafter in accordance with the terms of section 2 of this act.

Sec. 4. P. L., 1937, c. 221, §3, amended. Subsection (2) of section 3 of chapter 221 of the public laws of 1937 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'(2) The rules and regulations provided for in this section shall be in effect and have the force of law upon the approval of the governor. ~~and council.~~'

Sec. 5. P. L., 1937, c. 221, §4, amended. Section 4 of chapter 221 of the public laws of 1937 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 4. Director of personnel. There is hereby created a director of personnel. Within 60 days after this act goes into effect the state personnel board shall appoint a director of personnel. The director shall be, at the time of his appointment, a person thoroughly familiar with the principles and experienced in the methods and techniques of public personnel admin-

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istration on the merit basis. His tenure of office shall be at the pleasure of the appointing board and he shall receive such compensation as shall be fixed by the board with approval of the governor, ~~and council.~~'

Approved April 5, 1941

Chapter 197**AN ACT Relating to Examination of Motor Vehicles by Inspectors and Police Officers.**

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

R. S., c. 29, § 103, amended. Section 103 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 103. Inspectors and police officers in uniform may stop motor vehicles for examination; may examine stationary vehicles. The inspectors of the state police, when in uniform, and all police officers in uniform may at all times, with or without process, stop any motor vehicle to examine identification numbers and marks thereon, raising the hood or engine cover if necessary to accomplish this purpose, and may demand and inspect the driver's license, registration certificate, and permits.

It shall be unlawful for the operator of any motor vehicle to fail or refuse to stop any such vehicle, upon request or signal of any officer whose duty it is to enforce the motor vehicle laws when such officer is in uniform.

Whenever a motor vehicle is being operated by a person not having upon his person or in such vehicle the registration certificate covering such vehicle, or if it be operated by a person other than the person in whose name it is registered, and such operator is unable to present evidence of his authority to operate such motor vehicle, such inspector or police officer, or any sheriff or his deputy, may impound such vehicle and hold it until the same is claimed and taken by the registered owner thereof, who shall be forthwith notified of the impounding. Said officers if wearing a badge may also at all times, with or without process, and with or without uniform, enter public garages, parking places, and buildings where motor vehicles are stored or kept, for the purpose of examining identification numbers and marks thereon and may also examine any vehicle standing in any public way or place.

Any such officer may in like manner and under like circumstances examine any vehicle to ascertain whether its equipment complies with the requirements of this chapter.'

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