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**PUBLIC LAWS**

OF THE

**STATE OF MAINE**

As Passed by the Ninety-first Legislature

**1943**

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## Chapter 72

### AN ACT Relating to Shippers of Potatoes.

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

P. L., 1937, c. 84, § 5, amended. Section 5 of chapter 84 of the public laws of 1937 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 5. Shippers to file applications with state tax assessor; contents of applications; shippers not to ship until certificate is issued. Every shipper of potatoes, as herein defined, shall file a duly acknowledged ~~certificate~~ application with the state tax assessor, on forms prescribed and furnished by the state tax assessor which shall contain the name under which such shipper is transacting business within the state, the place or places of business and location of loading and shipping places and agents of the shipper; the names and addresses of the several persons constituting a firm or partnership and, if a corporation, the corporate name and the names and addresses of its principal officers and agents within the state. The state tax assessor will then issue a certificate to the shipper and no shipper, as herein defined, shall sell or ship any potatoes, as herein defined, until such certificate is furnished as required by this section.'

Effective July 9, 1943

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## Chapter 73

### AN ACT Relating to the Recording and Copying of Public Documents.

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

P. L., 1941, c. 16, amended. Chapter 16 of the public laws of 1941 is hereby amended by striking out all of section 2 thereof and substituting in place thereof the following sections to be numbered and to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. The county commissioners' duties. The county commissioners in any county in the state, are hereby authorized to cause to be made at the expense of their respective counties as and when requested by, and under the supervision of the register of deeds or register of probate for the county concerned, by any photostatic, photographic, microfilm or other mechanical process, which produces a clear, accurate and permanent copy thereof, a copy of any one, any portion, or all, of the deeds, plans, documents or writings relating to real estate or personal estate and the titles thereto, recorded now or hereafter in the office of the register of deeds or

register of probate in their respective counties. Such copies, when so made, shall constitute a duplicate record, and shall be filed in fire-resisting safe cabinets located separate and apart from the original records, or any additional reproductions may be filed in the same manner as original records, but within the same county.'

'Sec. 3. The state controller's authority. The state controller is hereby authorized to cause to be made, at the expense of the state, by any photo-static, photographic, microfilm or other mechanical process which produces a clear, accurate and permanent copy or reproduction thereof, copies of any part or all of the state of Maine cancelled checks, vouchers, and other documents on file in the bureau of accounts and control.'

'Sec. 4. Copies admissible in evidence. Copies and records produced as herein provided for shall have the same effect as the originals from which they are copies, and copies thereof and therefrom shall be admissible in evidence in like manner, under like conditions, and with like effect as if they were copies from the originals in any court or at any hearing provided for by law in the state.'

Effective July 9, 1943

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## Chapter 74

### AN ACT Relating to Mortgage Loans of Savings Banks.

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

R. S., c. 57, § 27, sub-§ XIV, amended. Subsection XIV of section 27 of chapter 57 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'XIV. Mortgage loans. In notes or bonds secured by 1st mortgages of real estate in Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and Vermont, to an amount not exceeding 60% of the market value of such real estate, or in notes or bonds secured by 1st mortgages which the Federal Housing Administrator has insured or has made a commitment to insure, or to an amount not exceeding 70% of the market value of such real estate, provided, however, that such 1st mortgage loans in excess of 60% of said market value shall be amortized monthly at a rate sufficient to repay the entire loan in not over 20 years with interest payments to be paid in monthly installments. No bank shall have more than 60% of its deposits invested in such mortgages; except that a savings bank may invest not exceeding 75% of its deposits in 1st real estate mortgages,