

# 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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AND MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS

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'III. By marriage to a male member of said tribe; but membership by marriage can be acquired only by such persons as are in whole or ~~in part~~ to the extent of at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of Indian blood, and it shall not include the previous issue of the person acquiring it.'

Effective July 9, 1943

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## Chapter 243

### AN ACT Defining an Indian.

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

**Indian defined.** An Indian is hereby defined for all purposes as being a person who is in whole or to the extent of at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of Indian blood. All previous enactments are repealed in so far as they are inconsistent with this definition.

Effective July 9, 1943

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## Chapter 244

### AN ACT Relating to the Discharge of Persons Committed to Insane Hospitals.

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

Sec. 1. P. L., 1939, c. 227, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 227 of the public laws of 1939 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Discharge of patients from the insane hospitals. Whenever in the judgment of the superintendents of either of the hospitals for the insane any person, other than a person committed thereto as criminally insane, committed to and confined therein, requires only infirmary care, he shall certify that fact to the ~~overseers of the poor~~ municipal officers of the city or town ~~in~~ from which such person has his pauper settlement was committed; and said ~~overseers of the poor~~ municipal officers shall forthwith remove such person or cause such person to be removed from said hospital and taken to said city or town. If said ~~overseers of the poor~~ municipal officers to whom such certification is made as aforesaid fail to remove such person from said hospital within 1 week after receipt of such certification, the city or town ~~in~~ from which such person has his pauper settlement was committed shall be liable to the state of Maine for the entire cost of maintaining such person in said hospital, at a rate determined by the commissioner of institutional service, from the date of the certification as aforesaid

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until finally removed therefrom, the same to be recovered in an action of on the case. This section shall not apply to towns having less than 200 inhabitants. Overseers of the poor of such towns are hereby authorized to remove such persons from said hospital and convey them to their town in the same manner as is provided for the removal of paupers to the towns of their settlement. Upon failure of the said overseers of the poor to remove any such person continued for more than a week after receipt of a certificate as aforesaid, such person if indigent and having no place to which he or she may go, may be transferred to any institution of the state now or hereafter established for the care of persons similarly situated and the town of his pauper settlement shall be liable as aforesaid for the care of such person in such other institution to which removed.'

Sec. 2. P. L., 1933, c. 1, §§ 438, 439, repealed. Sections 438 and 439 of chapter 1 of the public laws of 1933 are hereby repealed.

Effective July 9, 1943

## Chapter 245

### AN ACT Relating to the Salary of the Reporter of Decisions.

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

R. S., c. 125, § 7, amended. Section 7 of chapter 125 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 35 of the public laws of 1937, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 7. The reporter of decisions. The reporter of decisions shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$1700~~ \$2,000.'

Effective July 9, 1943

## Chapter 246

### AN ACT Relating to Payments to Franklin County Law Library.

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

R. S., c. 16, § 9, amended. Section 9 of chapter 16 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 9. Payments to county law libraries. The treasurer of each county, except the counties of Androscoggin, Aroostook, Cumberland, Franklin, Hancock, Kennebec, Lincoln, Penobscot, Somerset, and York,