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ACTS AND RESOLVES
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seers of the poor of the town where they reside; but when the judge is interested, either in his own right, in trust, or in any other manner, or is within the 6th degree of kindred, said application shall be made to and such appointment shall be made by the judge in any adjoining county and the record of said appointment shall show why it was so made.'

Effective July 9, 1943

Chapter 291

AN ACT Relating to Compensation of Fire Wardens.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, a state of war exists between the United States and Germany and Japan; and

Whereas, it is essential for the fire warden service to be maintained at its best during this war emergency; 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:

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 11, § 77, amended. Section 77 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 77. Duties of fire wardens and deputy wardens; employment of assistants. The chief forest fire wardens, under the direction of the commissioner, shall have general supervision of their respective districts and of the deputy forest fire wardens therein. Each chief forest fire warden, when directed by the commissioner, shall patrol the forests of his district for the purpose of searching out, extinguishing and guarding against forest fires. He shall investigate and gather evidence regarding the causes of forest fires, enforce all laws relating to forests and forest preservation, arrest all violators thereof, prosecute all offenses against the same, and in this connection shall have the same power to serve criminal processes against such offenders and shall be allowed the same fee as a sheriff, or his deputy, for like services, and shall have and enjoy the same right as a sheriff to require aid in executing the duties of his office. The chief forest fire wardens shall perform such other duties, at such times, and under such rules and regulations as the said commissioner may prescribe, and each shall receive as compensation \$5 an amount set by said commissioner, with the approval of the governor and council, for each and every day of

actual service, with an allowance for actual necessary expenses of travel. Deputy forest fire wardens shall perform such duties, at such times and under such rules and regulations, as the commissioner, or the chief fire warden of the district, with the approval of the commissioner, may prescribe. They shall receive as compensation ~~§~~ an amount set by said commissioner, with the approval of the governor and council, for each and every day of actual service, with an allowance for actual necessary expenses of travel.'

Sec. 2. Limitation of act. This act shall remain in force for a period of 2 years only. It is the intent of the legislature to change the present statute for a period of 2 years only, after which period the present statute shall return to full force and effect.

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

Effective April 8, 1943

Chapter 292

AN ACT Permitting Bowling on Sunday.

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

R. S., c. 135, § 39, amended. Section 39 of chapter 135 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

'; or to the operation of bowling alleys, or to bowling therein from 2 P. M. to 11 P. M., the provision of this clause to remain in effect only until 90 days after the end of the first regular session of the legislature which shall convene after the termination of the present war.'

Effective July 9, 1943

Chapter 293

AN ACT Relating to the Salaries of the Members of the State Highway Commission.

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

R. S., c. 125, § 34, amended. Section 34 of chapter 125 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows: