

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES
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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
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STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Ninety-first Legislature

1943

CHAP. 295

'Sec. 34. The state highway commission. Each member of the state highway commission shall receive an annual salary of \$3,500; they shall also receive their actual expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties while away from their homes.'

Effective July 9, 1943

Chapter 294

AN ACT Relating to Permit for Cattle Entering the State.

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

R. S., c. 40, § 17, amended. Section 17 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 17. Permit required for cattle entering the state. No cattle shall be allowed to enter this state, from any other state or country, either for dairying purposes, breeding purposes, or for slaughter, except cattle in transit under the control of the federal government, without a permit duly authorized by the chief of the division of animal industry, which permit shall accompany the shipment. All such cattle must meet the requirements of the rules and regulations of the commissioner of agriculture. Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$50 for each offense.'

'The commissioner of agriculture is hereby authorized to enter into agreements in the name of the state of Maine with other states for the purpose of controlling the transportation of cattle into, and out of, the state of Maine in order to effect the eradication of any infectious or communicable disease. The rules and regulations contained in such agreements are to be promulgated by the commissioner of agriculture with the approval of the governor.'

Effective July 9, 1943

Chapter 295

AN ACT Relating to Claims and Actions Against Executors and Administrators.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 101, § 14, amended. Section 14 of chapter 101 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 14. Claims against estates to be filed in writing with affidavit; no action for 30 days; claims not filed, barred. All claims against estates of deceased persons, except for funeral expenses, expenses of administration, legacies, and distributive shares, and for labor and materials for which suit may be commenced under section 34 of chapter 105, shall be presented to the executor or administrator in writing, or filed in the registry of probate, supported by an affidavit of the claimant, or of some other person cognizant thereof, either before or within 12 months after his qualification as such executor or administrator; and no action shall be commenced against such executor or administrator on any such claim until 30 days after the presentation or filing of such claim as above provided. Any claim not so presented or filed shall be forever barred against the estate, except as provided in sections 16, 18 and 20 of this chapter.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 101, amended. Chapter 101 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 14-A and to read as follows:

'Sec. 14-A. Executor or administrator to give notice if claims against estates disputed; claims barred unless actions brought within time limit. If an executor or administrator disputes a claim, or portion thereof, so presented or filed, he shall give notice in writing to the claimant, his agent, or attorney of record, by service in hand or by registered mail properly addressed, return receipt requested, of that which he disputes. When such notice has been given, the claimant shall commence and serve an action to recover on the disputed claim within 3 months after the receipt of such notice, or within 15 months after the qualification of such executor or administrator, whichever is the longer period; otherwise, such claim shall be forever barred against said estate in like manner as if it had not been presented or filed as provided in section 14. If the executor or administrator fails to give such notice to the claimant, his agent, or attorney within 15 months after his qualification as such executor or administrator, he shall be estopped to deny the validity of the claim.'

Effective July 9, 1943

Chapter 296

AN ACT Relating to Membership of Persons Employed in the Federal Employment Service in the Jointly-Contributory Retirement System for State Employees.

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

P. L., 1933, c. 1, § 227-C, sub-§ (2), amended. Subsection (2) of section 227-C of chapter 1 of the public laws of 1933, as enacted by chapter