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ACTS AND RESOLVES
AS PASSED BY THE
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Legislatures
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charges have been preferred in writing and, if he so requests, after public hearing. The chief shall be the executive head of the state police and shall execute the duties of his office under the direction and subject to the approval of the governor and council. The chief of the state police may enlist suitable persons as members of the state police to enforce the provisions of law, who shall enlist for a period of 3 years.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 13, § 21, amended. Section 21 of chapter 13 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph to read as follows:

'The provisions of this section shall apply to a member who may become chief of the state police. Such chief shall be credited with the number of years which he served as a member to be added to the number of years served as chief. Upon his request for retirement, made in writing to the governor and council, he shall receive thereafter $\frac{1}{2}$ of the pay per year that is paid to him as chief at the time of his retirement, provided he has served at least 4 years as chief; otherwise he shall receive thereafter $\frac{1}{2}$ of the pay per year that was paid to him as a member at the time he was appointed chief.'

Effective July 21, 1945

Chapter 256

AN ACT Relative to Use of Live Decoys and Blinds.

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

R. S., c. 33, § 57, repealed and replaced. Section 57 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and replaced to read as follows:

'Sec. 57. Use of decoys and blinds. The provisions of this section shall apply to the waters of Kennebec river, known as Merrymeeting bay, bounded as follows: from the high tension wires at Chop's Point to the first dam on the Androscoggin river, to the first road bridge on the Muddy, Cathance, Abbagadasset and Eastern rivers, and the Richmond-Dresden toll bridge on the Kennebec river, being in the counties of Cumberland, Sagadahoc and Lincoln.

No artificial cover which is termed stationary blind, or parts thereof, used for hunting purposes, shall be left or allowed to remain in the waters of Merrymeeting bay, as described above, between 1 hour after legal shooting time and 1 hour before legal shooting time.

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No duck decoys shall be allowed to remain in waters of Merrymeeting bay from 1 hour after legal shooting time until 1 hour before legal shooting time.

All regulations regarding seasons, live decoys, bag limits and shooting hours shall conform to the regulations issued by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.'

Effective July 21, 1945

Note: See Fish and Game Revision, § 80.

Chapter 257

AN ACT Relating to Reports of Thefts of Motor Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 12, amended. Section 12 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 12. Reports of thefts of motor vehicles made to chief of the state police to be recorded; to make a report to other states; owner to report recovery. Whenever the ~~secretary of state~~ chief of the state police shall receive report of the theft of a motor vehicle, whether the same be registered or not, and whether owned in this or any other state, together with a description of the same, he shall make a distinctive record thereof and cause the same to be properly filed, and shall promptly report by mail or otherwise the theft of said vehicle to the ~~secretary of state~~ and to the motor vehicle commissioners or departments of such other states of the United States and provinces of the Dominion of Canada as he deems needful, giving a complete description of the vehicle, including the name and post-office address of the person reporting the theft. Whenever the owner of a vehicle so reported as stolen shall recover it, he shall notify the ~~secretary of state~~ chief of the state police that the vehicle has been recovered, and the said ~~secretary~~ chief shall remove or cancel his record of theft and notify the ~~secretary of state~~ and each of said foreign motor vehicle commissioners or departments of such recovery.'

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