

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**ACTS AND RESOLVES**  
AS PASSED BY THE  
**Ninety-second and Ninety-third**  
**Legislatures**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**From April 22, 1945 to May 14, 1947**  
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**PUBLIC LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

As Passed by the Ninety-third Legislature

**1947**

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Sec. 4. R. S., c. 79, § 165, amended. That part of section 165 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of sheriff of Lincoln county is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Lincoln, ~~\$1,200~~ \$1,500.'

Sec. 5. R. S., c. 79, § 231, amended. That part of section 231 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of the register of deeds of Lincoln county is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Lincoln, ~~\$1,400~~ \$1,600.'

Sec. 6. R. S., c. 79, § 269, amended. The 9th paragraph of section 269 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 339 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Lincoln county: for clerks in the office of register of deeds, ~~\$1,000~~ \$1,200, and such additional sum not exceeding ~~\$300~~ \$600, when necessary, subject to the approval of the county commissioners; for clerks in the office of register of probate, ~~\$600~~ \$1,200; for clerks in the office of clerk of courts, ~~\$240~~ \$650.'

Sec. 7. R. S., c. 140, § 3, amended. That part of section 3 of chapter 140 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of the judge of probate of Lincoln county is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Lincoln, ~~\$1,000~~ \$1,300.'

Effective August 13, 1947

## Chapter 155

### AN ACT Requiring the Licensing of Insurance Adjusters.

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

R. S., c. 56, § 256, amended. Section 256 of chapter 56 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 256. Adjusters of losses must be licensed; revocation of license; fee. No insurance company transacting insurance business in this state shall permit any representative to adjust a loss until such representative has been licensed in accordance with the provisions of this section; but a license as an adjuster shall not be required of a duly licensed insurance agent or company representative residing in this state to adjust losses on his ~~own~~ companies' risks, or of attorneys at law duly licensed to practice by the state, or of licensed life insurance agents. ~~The commissioner may~~

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issue a license to any person to act as an adjuster of losses upon receipt of an application in such form as may be required by him. Such license shall continue until the 1st day of the next July. If any person adjusts or fraudulently assumes to be an adjuster, without first receiving such license, he shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$200, or by imprisonment for not more than 60 days for each offense. ~~Before issuing a license to any adjuster~~ Upon the receipt of an application from any person for an adjuster's license the commissioner shall require such person to take an examination and if such person shall pass such examination to the satisfaction of the commissioner and the commissioner shall satisfy himself that the applicant is a suitable person to act as an adjuster, the commissioner shall grant such person a license and such license shall continue in force until the last day of the next December. The commissioner may at any time after the granting of such license, for cause shown and after a hearing, determine that any person so licensed is unsuitable to act as an adjuster and shall thereupon revoke such license and shall notify the adjuster of such revocation.

The fee for such examination shall be \$10 and shall be used solely to defray all the expenses of conducting examinations, and said examinations shall be in writing and kept on file with the commissioner for at least 6 months.

Anything to the contrary notwithstanding any person holding an adjuster's license in full force and effect on the effective date of this act will not be required to take such examination.'

Effective August 13, 1947

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## Chapter 156

### AN ACT Relating to Limitation of Actions for Tort.

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

R. S., c. 44, § 12, amended. Section 12 of chapter 44 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 12. **Limitation of action.** Actions of tort for injuries to the person or for death and for injuries to or destruction of property, caused by the ownership, operation, maintenance, or use on the ways of the state of motor vehicles or trailers subject to the supervision and control of the public utilities commission, shall be commenced only within ~~± year~~ 2 years next after the cause of action occurs.'

Effective August 13, 1947