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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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As Passed by the Ninety-third Legislature

1947

Sec. 6. R. S., c. 12, § 88, repealed. Section 88 of chapter 12 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed.

Effective August 13, 1947

Chapter 254

AN ACT to Increase the Clerk Hire in the Office of Recorder of the Portland Municipal Court.

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

R. S., c. 79, § 269, amended. The 4th paragraph of section 269 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 225 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended so that said paragraph, so far as it relates to the amount to be paid for clerk hire in the office of the recorder of the Portland municipal court shall read as follows:

'for clerks in the office of the recorder of the Portland municipal court, ~~\$2,912~~ \$3,744, and for special clerk hire \$1,500, said sum of \$1,500 to be available for a period of 2 years only;'

Effective August 13, 1947

Chapter 255

AN ACT Permitting Towns to appropriate Money in Anticipation of State Appropriations.

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

R. S., c. 20, § 109, amended. Section 109 of chapter 20 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 109. Towns having money to become available from state for road or bridge work may anticipate expenditure. Any town to which, under any legislative enactment or resolve, money will become available for road and bridge work at the beginning of the fiscal year, may ~~with the advice and consent of the state highway commission,~~ at any time preceding the commencement of the fiscal year for which such appropriation is made, anticipate the expenditure of any appropriation for repair or improvement of a highway or bridge, by arranging to finance such work from funds of the town, or otherwise, prior to the date when such appropriation will become available, with the advice and consent of the state highway commission. Provided, however, that the state highway commission may at any time, from appropriate funds, reimburse towns for expenditures previously

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made for the improvement of state aid roads, provided such expenditures have been made with the consent of the state highway commission and under its supervision, and that such reimbursements in any year shall not exceed the apportionments made to such towns for the improvement of state aid roads under existing statutes.'

Effective August 13, 1947

Chapter 256

AN ACT Relating to Payment of Expenses of Wife Pending Libel for Divorce.

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

R. S., c. 153, § 59, amended. Section 59 of chapter 153 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 59. Pending libel, wife's expenses to be paid by husband. Pending a libel, the court, or any justice thereof in vacation, may order the husband to pay to ~~the clerk~~ the wife, or to her attorney for the wife, sufficient money for her defense or prosecution thereof, and to make reasonable provision for her separate support, on petition for which costs and counsel fees may be ordered; enter such decree for the care, custody, and support of the minor children as the court deems proper; and in all cases enforce obedience by appropriate processes on which costs and counsel fees shall be taxed as in other actions.'

Effective August 13, 1947

Chapter 257

AN ACT Defining a Fish Weir.

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

R. S., c. 86, § 12, additional. Chapter 86 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 12, to read as follows:

'Sec. 12. "Fish weir", defined. The words "fish weir" mentioned in any of the 5 preceding sections are defined to be a fixed structure erected and maintained during any part of each fishing season in the tide water, constructed of spiling or stakes, supporting poles or binders, brush, lath