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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-fourth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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Chapter 14

AN ACT Relating to Fares Between the Westerly End of Peaks Island and Portland.

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

P. L., 1927, c. 222, repealed. Chapter 222 of the public laws of 1927 is hereby repealed.

Effective August 6, 1949

Chapter 15

AN ACT Relating to Chief Inspector of Utilities.

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

R. S., c. 40, § 1, amended. The 5th sentence of section 1 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The commission shall appoint a clerk and, subject to the provisions of the personnel law, an assistant clerk ~~and also a chief inspector of utilities who shall be a practical railroad man and shall perform such duties as the commission may require.~~

Effective August 6, 1949

Chapter 16

AN ACT Relating to Suspension of Public Utility Rates.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the maintenance and efficient operation of public utilities services is of vital importance to the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; and

Whereas, the determination of just and reasonable rates is essential to such maintenance and efficient operation, as well as to the pecuniary interests of the consumer; and

Whereas, the present nation-wide inflationary trend in operating expenses has produced an unprecedented flood of rate cases requiring extensive investigation by the public utilities commission; and