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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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free from claims or damages resulting from such improvement or protection project and to enter into an agreement with the federal government for such purpose.

Sec. 115-E. State's share of expense. When an appropriation has been made by the legislature for such purpose, the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is authorized to provide for the payment by the state of not more than $\frac{1}{2}$ of the cash contribution required by the federal government for any such improvement or protection project.

Sec. 115-F. Investigations. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is authorized to designate any state agency to make such investigation as is deemed necessary in connection with any such improvement or protection project.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective April 8, 1949

Chapter 208

AN ACT Relating to Tuberculosis Control.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 85-A, additional. Chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 85-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 85-A. Control of tuberculosis. The department of health and welfare is empowered to make such investigations as may be necessary to ascertain the source of any infectious or communicable disease. Whenever said department has cause to believe that any person is infected with tuberculosis so as to expose others to the dangers thereof, said department by its representative shall petition a justice of the superior court in the county where said person resides or is found, setting forth said facts and requesting an examination of such person. Said justice, in term or vacation, may order such notice thereon as he may deem proper for such person to appear and answer thereto. Upon hearing, if said justice finds cause to believe that such person is so infected, he may issue an order requiring said person to be examined by a board of 3 physicians licensed to practice in this state at the expense of said department. Said board shall be comprised of the superintendent of one of the state sanatoriums, a physician chosen by

the person suspected of having tuberculosis and the third appointed by the justice. The board shall make a report to the justice within the time designated by him. Upon receipt of said report the court may issue such order as the circumstances of the case warrant.

Either party may appeal the finding or the order to the next term of the supreme judicial court.

The court may use all necessary legal processes to carry its decrees into effect.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 23, § 167, amended. Section 167 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 3 of chapter 297 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph to read as follows:

'The provisions of this section shall not apply to persons who may be committed under the provisions of section 85-A of chapter 22.'

Effective August 6, 1949

Chapter 209

AN ACT Relating to Hunting of Raccoons.

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

R. S., c. 33, § 97-A, additional. Chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 97-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 97-A. Game laws on raccoons may be suspended. The commissioner is empowered to suspend the game laws in respect to raccoons in such restricted localities and for such periods of time as he finds it advisable to relieve excessive damage being done by them to sweet corn or other crops.'

Effective August 6, 1949

Chapter 210

AN ACT Relating to the Use of the Public Streets and Highways and to the Power of Cities and Towns to Install Parking Meters.

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

R. S., c. 80, § 83-A, additional. Chapter 80 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 83-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 83-A. Parking meters and charges; use of revenue. The legislative body of any city and the inhabitants of any town may install parking