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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-fifth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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'Any boat, except a canoe, maintained for hire and boats furnished by the owners or operators of state licensed boys' and girls' camps upon any inland body of water to which the public has right of access shall be properly painted, repaired and fitted with oars.'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 189

AN ACT Relating to Membership of the Blueberry Industry Advisory Committee.

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

R. S., c. 14, § 232, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 232 of chapter 14 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 281 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Of the appointed committee for 1951, 1 shall serve for 1 year, 2 for 2 years, 1 for 3 years, 2 for 4 years and 1 for 5 years; thereafter, each member shall be appointed for a term of 5 years.'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 190

AN ACT Relating to the Municipal Regulation of Motor Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 80, § 83, sub-§ X, amended. Subsection X of section 83 of chapter 80 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'X. For the regulation of all vehicles used therein ~~by~~; and establishing the rates of fare, routes, and places of standing, and by requiring proof of financial responsibility of owners or operators of vehicles for hire, except those under the jurisdiction of the public utilities commission, which proof shall be a liability insurance policy in such amounts and form as shall be satisfactory to the licensing authorities of the town, city or village corporation, as a condition precedent to the granting of licenses to operate such vehicles, and in any other respect; but by-laws and ordinances for this purpose shall be published 1 week at least before they take effect, in some newspaper printed therein, or if there is no newspaper

printed therein, such by-laws and ordinances shall be posted at least 1 week before they take effect, in 2 public and conspicuous places therein, and published once in some newspaper printed in the county in which said town is situated; and penalties for their breach shall not exceed \$20 for one offense, to be recovered by complaint to the use of such city, town or corporation.'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 191

AN ACT Relating to Number of Voting Districts.

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

R. S., c. 5, § 13, amended. The 1st sentence of section 13 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The municipal officers, 60 days before any election, may, after public notice and hearing, divide towns and wards of cities into not more than 3 5 convenient voting districts.'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 192

AN ACT Concerning Coercion in the Placing of Insurance on Real Estate or Personal Property.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 56, § 251, amended. The last 2 sentences of section 251 of chapter 56 of the revised statutes are hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 56, § 251-A, additional. Chapter 56 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 251-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 251-A. Coercion in the placing of insurance on real estate or personal property; penalty. No trustee, director, officer, agent or other employee of any person, firm, corporation, bank, loan and building association or other financial institution engaged in the business of making loans of money to the public or financing the purchase of real or personal property, or the lending of money on the security of real or personal property shall