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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-fifth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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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 The last 2 sentences of section 251 of chapter 56 of the revised statutes are hereby repealed.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

directly or indirectly require that the person, firm or corporation, for whom such purchase is to be financed or to whom the money is to be loaned, or for whom such extension, renewal or other act is to be granted or performed, negotiate any policy of insurance or renewal thereof covering such property through a particular insurance company, or insurance agent or broker, as a condition precedent to financing the purchase of such property or to loaning money upon the security of a mortgage thereon, or as a condition prerequisite for the renewal or extension of any such loan or mortgage, or for the performance of any act in connection therewith. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be liable to punishment by fine of not more than \$100, or by imprisonment of not more than 60 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment and if he holds a license from the commissioner he shall forfeit the same. Any justice of the supreme judicial or superior court, in term time or vacation, on complaint by any person that the provisions of this section are being violated, may issue an injunction against such violation, and may hold in contempt and punish therefor in case of disregard of said injunction. This section shall not prevent the exercise by any such person, firm, corporation, trustee, director, officer, agent or employee of the right to approve or disapprove of the insurance company to underwrite the insurance.'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 193

AN ACT Relating to the Tagging of Beaver.

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

R. S., c. 33, § 100, amended. The 7th paragraph of section 100 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'All beaver skins must be presented to the warden supervisor in whose division they were caught or a warden of that division authorized by the chief warden to tag and mark beaver and if said supervisor or warden is satisfied that the beaver presented were legally trapped in his division, he shall tag and mark the same in the manner as directed and with the materials furnished by the commissioner. A fee of \$2 shall be paid by the trapper for each skin tagged and marked.'

Effective August 20, 1951