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CIVIL DEFENSE FUNDS

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York county, as amended by chapter 263 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'York, \$3,000 \$3,800.'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 225

AN ACT Providing for Funds for Civil Defense and Public Safety.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, recent events have shown that there is an imperative need for an adequate civil defense and public safety program in order to protect the citizens of this state; and

Whereas, existing provisions of law for the development of civil defense and public safety programs are inadequate; and

Whereas, recent events have shown that speed is of the essence in modern warfare and defense; and

Whereas, the president of the United States has declared a national emergency; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

R. S., c. 11-A, § 19, additional. Chapter 11-A of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 298 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 19, to read as follows:

'Sec. 19. Appropriations and authorization of expenditures. There is hereby established a fund to be known as the "Emergency Civil Defense and Public Safety Fund."

The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is hereby authorized and empowered, whenever an emergency has been declared as provided in section 6, to transfer to this fund any state moneys in the general fund of the state, including unexpended appropriation balances of any state department or agency allotted or otherwise. The governor is hereby authorized to expend the moneys in the said fund for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this chapter.' REGULATING CLOSING-OUT SALES

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

Effective April 27, 1951

Chapter 226

AN ACT Relating to the Salary of the Sheriff of Knox County.

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

R. S., c. 79, § 165, amended. That part of section 165 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of the sheriff of Knox county, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Knox, \$2,200 **\$3,000**,'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 227

AN ACT Regulating Closing-Out Sales, So Called, and Similar Types of Sales.

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

R. S., c. 88, §§ 72-A - 72-D, additional. Chapter 88 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 4 new sections to be numbered 72-A to 72-D, inclusive, to read as follows:

'Closing-Out Sales

Sec. 72-A. License required to conduct closing-out sales. No person shall offer for sale a stock of goods, wares or merchandise under the designation of "closing-out sale," "going-out-of-business sale," "discontinuanceof-business sale" or other designation of like meaning unless he shall have obtained a license to conduct such a sale from the municipal officers of the city or town in which he proposes to conduct such sale.

Sec. 72-B. Application for license; fee; extension. A person desiring such license shall make application therefor to such municipal officers, in writing and under oath, setting forth a complete inventory of all items to be included in such sale, which inventory shall include only goods, wares or merchandise actually in the place of business, wherein or whereat such sale