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Chapter 152

AN ACT Relating to Meetings by Towns to Regulate Taking of Clams.

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

R. S., c. 34, § 62, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 62 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Any town may, by vote at an annual or special town meeting, provide for regulations fixing the times and amounts in which clams, quahogs and mussels may be taken from any or all of the coastal waters and flats within the town and may likewise provide that municipal licenses be required for the taking of any or all of such species therein and fix the fees therefor.'

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 153

AN ACT Relating to Roadside Picnic Areas.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the present accommodations for picnic areas are inadequate; and

Whereas, adequate picnic areas are necessary in order to provide off-theroad parking for motorists desiring to lunch and rest; and

Whereas, this act must take effect immediately to permit proper provisions to be made for this summer's travel; and

Whereas, another year's delay in supplying this need will seriously injure the summer tourist business; 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. 20, § 74-A, amended. The last sentence of section 74-A of chap-

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ter 20 of the revised statutes, as enacted by section I of chapter 327 of the public laws of 1951, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The cost of constructing any one such project shall not exceed \$350 \$600, except that not more than 2 such projects may be constructed in any 1 year at a cost of not more than \$1,000 each.'

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

Effective April 13, 1953

Chapter 154

AN ACT Relating to Entrances to Highways.

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

R. S., c. 20, § 8-I, amended. Section 8-I of chapter 20 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 332 of the public laws of 1951, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 8-I. Construction of entrances to highways regulated. It shall be unlawful to construct or maintain any driveway, entrance or approach within the right of way of any state or state aid highway which lies outside of the compact, or built up, section, so called, without a written permit from the state highway commission, or if within the compact or built up section, so called, without a written permit from the proper town officials. and such right of way shall be deemed the full width of the right of way as laid out by the state, county or the town. The commission is and towns are authorized and directed to make such rules and regulations as to design, location and construction of driveways, entrances and approaches on said highways as will adequately protect and promote the safety of the traveling public, but the commission and the towns shall in no case deny reasonable ingress and egress to property abutting the highway except on limited access highways. No permit shall be required for any existing driveway, entrance or approach unless the grade or location of the same is changed, but if any driveway, entrance or approach is changed in location or grade or improved, a permit shall be required.

Whoever violates any of the foregoing provisions or the rules and regulations made under authority thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100.'