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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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in no event shall the body of a deceased person be cremated until the person, firm or corporation in charge of the cremation has received a certificate from a duly appointed medical examiner that he has made personal inquiry into the cause and manner of death and is satisfied that no further examination or judicial inquiry concerning the same is necessary. Such certificate shall be retained by the person, firm or corporation in charge of the cremation for a period of 3 years. For said certificate the medical examiner shall receive a fee of \$5 payable by the person requesting same.'

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 163

AN ACT Relating to Hospital Aid.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 16-A, additional. Chapter 22 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 16-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 16-A. Responsible relatives defined; duty of hospitals. The spouse, parents and adult children of a person receiving hospital care shall, if of sufficient ability, be responsible for the hospital bill of such person. The hospital furnishing care to a person may recover the amount due for such care from a responsible relative in an action on the case.

Hospitals shall make every reasonable attempt to arrange for payment by the responsible relatives or the person hospitalized before making application for hospital aid.

Hospitals making application for hospital aid must submit to the department such information as the department deems necessary concerning the financial condition of the responsible relatives and of the person hospitalized.'

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 164

AN ACT Relating to Driving of Deer.

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

R. S., c. 33, § 83, amended. Section 83 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows: