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AS PASSED BY THE

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

Effective April 23, 1953

Chapter 268

AN ACT Relating to Fines and Costs for Violation of Truck Weight Laws.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 100-B, amended. The last paragraph of section 100-B of chapter 19 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 323 of the public laws of 1951, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'In addition to the penalties above provided for, the court ~~shall~~ may impose an alternative jail sentence of not more than 30 days to be served if the respondent fails to pay the fine and costs imposed by said court.'

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 269

AN ACT Relating to Salaries of County Officers and Clerk Hire in Piscataquis County.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 79, § 6, amended. That part of section 6 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of county commissioners of Piscataquis county is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Piscataquis, ~~\$500~~ \$600.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 79, § 114, amended. That part of section 114 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of clerk of courts of Piscataquis county, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Piscataquis, ~~\$1,800~~ \$2,200.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 79, § 130, amended. That part of section 130 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of the county at-

torney of Piscataquis county, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Piscataquis, ~~\$900~~ \$1,500.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 79, § 146, amended. That part of section 146 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of the county treasurer in the county of Piscataquis, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Piscataquis, ~~\$600~~ \$700.'

Sec. 5. R. S., c. 79, § 165, amended. That part of section 165 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of sheriff of Piscataquis county, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Piscataquis, ~~\$1,800~~ \$2,200.'

Sec. 6. R. S., c. 79, § 231, amended. That part of section 231 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of register of deeds in Piscataquis county, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Piscataquis, ~~\$1,800~~ \$2,200.'

Sec. 7. R. S., c. 79, § 269, amended. That part of section 269 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes which relates to clerk hire in county offices in Piscataquis county, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Piscataquis county: for clerks in the office of the register of deeds, ~~\$1,456~~ \$1,820; for clerks in the office of register of probate, ~~\$728~~ \$910; for clerks in the office of clerk of courts, ~~\$1,456~~ \$1,820.'

Sec. 8. R. S., c. 140, § 3, amended. That part of section 3 of chapter 140 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of judge of probate in Piscataquis county, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Piscataquis, ~~\$1,200~~ \$1,800.'

Sec. 9. R. S., c. 140, § 22, amended. That part of section 22 of chapter 140 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of register of probate

in Piscataquis county, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Piscataquis, ~~\$1,600~~ \$2,000.'

Sec. 10. Effective date. The provisions of this act shall be retroactive to January 1, 1953.

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 270

AN ACT to Repeal the Liquor Research Commission Law and Provide that the Department of Health and Welfare Assume Certain Responsibilities Relating to Alcoholism.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 73-A, additional. Chapter 22 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 73-A, to read as follows:

'Alcoholism

Sec. 73-A. Alcoholism. Alcoholism is declared to be an acute problem requiring such efforts as may reasonably be made in the treatment thereof. The department is authorized to take such action as it may deem necessary to assist in bringing about the reduction in alcoholism.'

Sec. 1-A. R. S., c. 22, § 73-B, additional. Chapter 22 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 73-B, to read as follows:

'Sec. 73-B. Advisory committee. The governor with the advice and consent of the council shall appoint an advisory committee to advise and consult with the department of health and welfare in carrying out the administration of section 73-A. The committee shall consist of 7 members and shall include the commissioner of health and welfare ex officio. The chairman shall be appointed by the governor. Each member shall hold office for a term of 3 years, except that any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall be appointed for the remainder of such term, and the terms of office of the members first taking office shall expire as designated at the time of appointment, 3 at the end of the 1st year, 3 at the end of the 2nd