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#### Chapter 316

AN ACT Relating to Expenses of Maintaining Burying Grounds in Unorganized Territory in Piscataquis County.

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

**R. S., c. 54, § 5, amended.** Section 5 of chapter 54 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following :

'All expenses and costs incurred in Piscataquis county while carrying out the provisions of this section shall annually be assessed, by the county commissioners of Piscataquis county, against the estates of said county.'

Effective August 8, 1953

### Chapter 317

AN ACT to Clarify the Employment Security Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 24, § 15, sub-§ VI, amended. The 1st paragraph of subsection VI of section 15 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 430 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'For any week for which the deputy finds that the claimant made a wilful misrepresentation in his application to obtain benefits to which he would otherwise not be entitled, then and in that event, the deputy shall notify the claimant of the deputy's findings, whereupon the claimant shall have the right to a hearing, appeal or review by the commission and appeal to the courts, as is provided by other provisions of this chapter.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 24, § 17, sub-§ IV, ¶ F, sub-¶ 1, amended. The 1st sentence of subparagraph 1 of paragraph F of subsection IV of section 17 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 430 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Shall promptly notify each employer of his rate of contributions as determined for any ealendar the 12-month period commencing July 1 of each year pursuant to the provisions of this section.'

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Sec. 3. R. S., c. 24, § 17, sub-§ IV, ¶ F, sub-¶ 2, amended. The last sentence of subparagraph 2 of paragraph F of subsection IV of section 17 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, as repealed and replaced by section I of chapter 430 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Such redetermination, made after notice and opportunity for hearing, and the commission's findings of fact in connection therewith, may be introduced in any subsequent administrative or judicial proceedings involving the determination of the rate of contributions of any employer for any calendar the 12-month period commencing July 1 of any year and shall be entitled to the same finality as is provided in this section with respect to the findings of fact made by the commission in proceedings to redetermine the contribution rates of an employer.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 24, § 19, sub-§ I, amended. Subsection I of section 19 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 430 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'I. Interest on past-due contributions.** Contributions, unpaid on the date on which they are due and payable as prescribed by the commission, shall bear interest at the rate of 1% per month from and after such date until payment plus accrued interest is received by the commission; provided, however, in such cases of delinquency as are shown to the satisfaction of the commission to arise from reasonable questions of liability under the terms of this chapter, the commission may, in its discretion, abate not exceeding 75% of the interest herein imposed.'

Sec. 5. R. S., c. 24, § 17, sub-§ III, ¶ A, sub-¶ 3, repealed. Subparagraph 3 of paragraph A of subsection III of section 17 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 430 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby repealed.

Effective August 8, 1953

#### Chapter 318

AN ACT Relating to Operation of School Buses.

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

**R. S., c. 19, § 105-A, amended.** Section 105-A of chapter 19 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 385 of the public laws of 1949, and as repealed and replaced, is hereby amended to read as follows: