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to any steam vessel which carries a steam pressure of more than 15 pounds per square inch without first receiving authorization to do so from the chief boiler inspector, provided that the foregoing provision shall not apply to persons who hold certificates or standing authorization from the board of boiler rules.

The board of boiler rules is authorized to make, amend or rescind reasonable rules and regulations relating to qualifications of journeyman welders performing welding for compensation and is further empowered to conduct examinations, issue certificates and to charge a reasonable fee for such examinations and for such certificates.

Any person violating the provisions of this section may be punished by a fine of not more than \$100.

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 344

AN ACT Relating to Limitation for Injuries by Defect in Highways.

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

R. S., c. 84, § 88, amended. Section 88 of chapter 84 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 88. Persons injured by highway defects; damages; notice. Whoever receives any bodily injury or suffers damage in his property, through any defect or want of repair or sufficient railing in any highway, town way, causeway or bridge, may recover for the same in a special action on the case, to be commenced within 1 year from the date of receiving such injury or suffering damage, of the county or town obliged by law to repair the same, if the commissioners of such county, or the municipal officers or road commissioners of such town, or any person authorized by any commissioner of such county or any municipal officer, or road commissioner of such town, to act as a substitute for either of them, had 24 hours' actual notice of the defect or want of repair; but not exceeding ~~\$2,000~~ \$4,000 in case of a town; and if the sufferer had notice of the condition of such way previous to the time of the injury, he cannot recover of a town unless he has previously notified one of the municipal officers of the defective condition of such way; and any person who sustains injury or damage, as aforesaid, or some person in his behalf shall, within 14 days thereafter, notify one of the county commissioners of such county, or of the municipal officers of such town, by let-

ter or otherwise, in writing, setting forth his claim for damages and specifying the nature of his injuries and the nature and location of the defect which caused such injury. If the life of any person is lost through such deficiency, his executors or administrators may recover of such county or town liable to keep the same in repair, in an action on the case, brought for the benefit of the estate of the deceased, such sum as the jury may deem reasonable as damages, if the parties liable had said notice of the deficiency which caused the loss of life; at the trial of any such action the court may, on motion of either party, order a view of the premises where the defect or want of repair is alleged, when it would materially aid in a clear understanding of the case.'

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 345

AN ACT Relating to the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 74, § 2, sub-§ IV, additional. Section 2 of chapter 74 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new subsection to be numbered IV to read as follows:

'IV. The term "engineer-in-training" shall mean a person who has been certified as such by the board and whose name has been entered in the register of engineer-in-training.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 74, § 8, amended. Section 8 of chapter 74 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by repealing the 1st sentence of the 2nd paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:

'In carrying into effect the provisions of this chapter, the board may, under the hand of its chairman and the seal of the board, subpoena witnesses and compel their attendance, and also may require the production of books, records, papers, documents, etc., in a case involving the revocation of a certificate of registration as a professional engineer or a certificate as an engineer-in-training or in a case of practicing or offering to practice professional engineering without registration.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 74, § 10, amended. The first paragraph of section 10 of chapter 74 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof: