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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-sixth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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'Personally appeared the above and made oath to the truth of the statement contained hereon.'

Sec. 20. R. S., c. 7, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 7 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Petitions for veto by referendum. Upon request of any voter of the state, made in writing within 10 days after the adjournment of any session of the legislature, the secretary of state shall forthwith cause to be printed and delivered to such voter, ~~at the expense of the state~~ at his expense, an adequate supply of petitions prepared for the use of the voters of the state for invoking the people's veto by referendum, as provided in part third of article IV of the constitution, on such act or acts or part or parts of any act or acts as may be designated in such written request.'

Sec. 21. R. S., c. 7, § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 7 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Petitions for direct initiative. Upon request of any voter of the state, made in writing at any time, the secretary of state shall forthwith cause to be printed and delivered to such voter, ~~at the expense of the state~~ at his expense, an adequate supply of petitions prepared for the use of the voters of the state for invoking the direct initiative, as provided in part third of article IV of the constitution for such act as may be designated in such written request.'

Sec. 22. R. S., c. 8, § 4, sub-§ VI-A, additional. Section 4 of chapter 8 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new subsection, to be numbered VI-A, to read as follows:

'VI-A. Of radio and television;'

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 366

AN ACT Relating to Stock in Trade of Liquor Licensees.

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

R. S., c. 57, § 22-D, amended. Section 22-D of chapter 57 of the revised statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 264 of the public laws of 1949,

and as amended, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph, to read as follows:

'All retail store licensees must have and maintain an adequate stock of merchandise reasonably compatible with a stock of liquor in no case less than \$1,000 wholesale value.'

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 367

AN ACT Relating to Food and Shelter for Sick, Injured or Abandoned Dogs.

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

R. S., c. 127, § 17-A, additional. Chapter 127 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 17-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 17-A. Dogs brought to veterinarian. Any person finding a sick, stray, injured or abandoned dog may take the same to any licensed veterinarian, humane society or shelter, within the state, who may accept the same. Any licensed veterinarian, humane society or shelter accepting such a sick, stray, injured or abandoned dog shall keep the same for a period of 2 weeks and shall be entitled to receive from the state of Maine, the sum of \$1 per day for such period or part thereof as they shall provide food and shelter, provided that such licensed veterinarian, humane society or shelter, shall notify the clerk of their respective town or city within 24 hours after accepting such a dog, such notice to include a detailed description of the dog and the circumstances of its finding. Upon the expiration of said 2 weeks if the owner of the dog has not appeared to claim the same then said licensed veterinarian, humane society or shelter may give away, sell or otherwise humanely dispose of said dog; proceeds from any sale shall be deducted from any claim for board made to the state. In the event the owner of such a dog shall appear and claim the dog while still in possession of said keeper, the owner may have and receive the same upon payment of all charges provided for in this section. All moneys paid by the state of Maine to such keepers shall be taken from the fund received from dog licenses.'

Effective August 8, 1953