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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-seventh Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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At The
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1954

Supplementary to the Public Laws of 1953

Chapter 425

AN ACT Relating to Sale of Revised Statutes and Session Laws.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the 1954 Revision, Annotated, of the public laws of the state, has been completed and submitted to the 96th Legislature in Special Session for its consideration; and

Whereas, it is necessary for the Legislature to pass on and enact this Revision at least 90 days prior to the next regular session, if the 97th Legislature is to function on the basis of these revised laws; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary for the State Librarian to fix the price, with the approval of the Governor and Council, and to prepare for sale and distribution of this Revision before the completion of such 90-day period in order that the people of Maine may have before them such Revision when it becomes effective; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Price. The State Librarian, subject to the approval of the Governor and Council, shall fix the price at which the printed volumes of a revision of the statutes, and supplements thereto, or those containing the laws passed at a session of the legislature, may be sold and delivered, and shall thereafter make sales at the price so fixed.

Sec. 2. Repealing and amending clause. All acts and resolves or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or amended to conform to the provisions of this act.

Effective date. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved only for the purpose of fixing the price. All other provisions of this act shall become effective January 3, 1955.

Effective January 3, 1955

Director's note: Repealed by P. L., 1955, c. 185, § 16. Re-enacted by P. L., 1955, c. 185, § 10.

Chapter 426

AN ACT Relating to Aid to the Disabled.

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

Sec. 1. Definition. The words "aid to the disabled" mean money payments to, or medical care in behalf of or any type of remedial care in behalf of, needy individuals 18 years of age or older who are permanently and totally disabled, but does not include any such payments to or care in behalf of any individual who is an inmate of a public institution, except as a patient in a medical institution, or any individual who is a patient in an institution for tuberculosis or mental disease, or who has been diagnosed as having tuberculosis or psychosis and is a patient in a medical institution as a result thereof.

Sec. 2. Department to administer aid to the disabled. The department of health and welfare shall administer the law relating to aid to the disabled and may make rules and regulations necessary to the administration thereof. It is empowered to employ, subject to the provisions of the personnel law, such assistants as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, and to coordinate their work with that of the other social welfare work of said department. All aid granted under the provisions of said act shall be paid monthly by the state. The amount of aid which any person shall receive shall be determined on a budgetary basis with due regard to the conditions existing in each case and in accordance with the rules and regulations of said department. This aid shall be sufficient, when added to all other income and support of the recipient, to provide such person with a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health, but not exceeding \$55 per month. Whenever the federal matching maximum is changed the department may change the maximum grant with the approval of the Governor and Council.

Sec. 3. Acceptance of provisions of federal law. Said department is authorized to: