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ciety is entitled except those offered and paid upon horses, cattle, sheep, swine, poultry, vegetables, grain, fruit, flowers, products derived from horses, cattle, sheep, swine, home canned foods, grange exhibits, farm exhibits, boys' and girls' club exhibits, exhibits of the mechanical arts, domestic and fancy articles produced in the farm home and pulling contests by horses and oxen. No society shall be entitled to any share of the stipend unless it shall have notified the Commissioner in writing at least 10 days in advance of the date and place of its annual exhibition. No society, the Maine State Pomological Society excepted, shall receive from the State a sum greater than that actually raised and paid by the society as premiums and gratuities in the classes herein provided, and in no case shall any society be entitled to any share of the stipend unless it shall have raised and paid in premiums in the classes heretofore set forth at least \$200. No society shall receive any portion of the stipend in excess of \$10,000, except that such limitation shall not apply to any additional stipend provided for by the provisions of section 14 of chapter 86 or the provisions of section 13 of chapter 87. No society shall receive any portion of such stipend unless it shall have regularly entered and displayed in an attractive manner upon its exhibition grounds distinct exhibits or entries of vegetables, fruits, grains or dairy products, or of subordinate and other granges and 4-H clubs, of a quality acceptable to the Commissioner or his regularly authorized agent and of varieties known to be common or standard to the county in which such exhibition is held. No society shall be entitled to any share of the stipend unless all cattle to be shown or exhibited shall have come from herds wherein all animals were negative to the tuberculin tests within 1 year of the opening date of the show.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 12

AN ACT Relating to Turning Signals on Fire Department Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 125-A, additional. Chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 125-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 125-A. Fire departments exempted. The provisions of sections 123 to 125, inclusive, shall not apply to vehicles operated by organized fire departments.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 13

AN ACT Relating to Maine Forestry District Taxes.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, all Maine Forestry District taxes are assessed as of April 1; and

Whereas, the State Board of Tax Equalization made a revaluation of the real estate in 1954, which affects the Maine Forestry District income making it possible to reduce the forest fire tax rate; 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:

R. S., c. 36, § 96, amended. The 1st sentence of section 96 of chapter 36 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'A tax of $\frac{5}{2}$ $4\frac{3}{4}$ mills on the dollar is assessed upon all the property in the Maine Forestry District, including rights in public reserved lots, to be used for the protection thereof.'

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

Effective February 24, 1955

Chapter 14

AN ACT Relating to Weighing Vehicles by Officers.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 110, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 110 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Any police officer may require the driver of any motor vehicle described in ~~section~~ sections 36 and 109 to stop and submit to a weighing of the same by means of either portable or stationary scales. If such scales are not available at the place where such vehicle is stopped, the police officer may require that such vehicle be driven to the nearest public scales capable of weighing said vehicle and load if such does not increase by more than 5 miles the distance which said vehicle may reasonably travel to reach its destination.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 15

AN ACT Repealing Separate Bids for Purchase of Institutional Supplies.

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

R. S., c. 16, § 37, repealed. Section 37 of chapter 16 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed as follows:

'~~Sec. 37. Institution supplies to be bid for separately. The state purchasing agent, in requesting bids for institutional supplies, shall list the articles on which bids are requested under the names of the institutions for which~~