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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-seventh Legislature

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Sec. 2. R. S., c. 5, § 79, amended. Section 79 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 79. Expense of sending for returns to be paid by State. The expense of each messenger sent as required by the preceding section shall be audited and allowed by the Governor and Council, and paid out of the State Treasury; ~~and unless they are of opinion that the officers of any delinquent town have fully performed their duties in making the required returns, the amount so paid shall be added to the next state tax assessed on such town;~~ but if the same messenger is sent to two or more towns on the same route, the amount to be paid by each of them shall be apportioned by the Governor and Council according to their relative distances and the expense of traveling. If the Governor and Council determine that the officers of any delinquent town have not fully performed their duties in making the required returns, the amount so paid shall be repaid the State by such town. Such town shall be precluded from drawing from the State Treasury any funds set apart for such town so long as such amount remains unpaid.'

Effective August 20, 1955

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## Chapter 31

### AN ACT Relating to Use of Life Rafts by Certain Boats.

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

R. S., c. 49, § 10, amended. The first paragraph of section 10 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Every vessel more than 30 feet in length, measured from end to end along deck, excluding sheer, subject to registration, shall have at least 1 substantial boat, with life lines attached, properly supplied with oars, kept tight and in good condition at all times and ready for immediate use. In addition thereto, such other boats or life rafts shall be carried as the Commission, on account of the route or the number of passengers, may deem requisite. It shall be the duty of the master of such vessel to exercise and discipline his crew in the launching, use and management of the boats and life rafts until they become skillful boatmen. The Commission may make such rules and regulations as it deems necessary, designating what boats or life rafts, if any, shall be carried by vessels less than 30 feet in length.'

Effective August 20, 1955

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## Chapter 32

### AN ACT Relating to Salary and Bond of Treasurer of Community School District.

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

R. S., c. 41, § 114, amended. Section 114 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph to read as follows:

'The trustees shall serve without compensation, except the treasurer may receive for his services an amount to be fixed by the board of trustees not to exceed \$250 per year. The treasurer shall give a bond to the district in such sum and with such sureties as the trustees may determine, which bond shall be deposited with the chairman. The expense of such bond shall be paid by the district. The treasurer's salary, bond premium and all expenses of the district shall be paid from the funds of the district. At the close of the fiscal year the trustees shall make a detailed report of their doings, of the financial condition of said district and the physical condition of said school building or buildings, and also such other matters pertaining to said district as shall show the inhabitants thereof how said trustees are fulfilling the duties and obligations of their trust, duplicate copies of said reports to be made, attested to and filed with the municipal officers of each participating town.'

Effective August 20, 1955

## Chapter 33

### AN ACT Relating to Open Season for Black Bass.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 44, sub-§ II, amended. Subsection II of section 44 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'II. There shall be an open season for black bass in lakes and ponds from June 21st to September 30th; in rivers above tidewater from June 21st to September 15th; in brooks and streams from June 21st to August 15th. Provided, however, that 3 black bass per day on single-hooked artificial lures only may be taken ~~by fly fishing in any 1 day~~ from June 1st to June 20th and no person shall have in his possession at any 1 time more than 3 black bass during this period. ~~There shall be a closed season for bass in the inland waters of Cumberland county from October 1st to June 20th, both days inclusive.'~~

Effective August 20, 1955

## Chapter 34

### AN ACT Relating to Appropriations by Municipalities for Advertising.

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

R. S., c. 91, § 108, amended. Section 108 of chapter 91 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 108. Advertising. Any city or town may appropriate any sum, not exceeding ~~1 mill~~ 2 mills on a dollar, based on the local town valuation of the preceding year, to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State or such city or town.'

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