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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-seventh Legislature

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No area shall be closed for the purpose of conservation to the digging or taking of marine worms, clamworms, bloodworms and sandworms except as provided in section 5.'

Sec. 2. Amendatory clause. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or amended to conform thereto.

Effective August 20, 1955

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## Chapter 111

### AN ACT Relating to Medical Care for Public Assistance Recipients.

**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, the said 90-day period will not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, a larger amount of federal matching funds will be available and administration of the act will be facilitated if it becomes effective with the start of the fiscal year; 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. 25, § 319-U, additional. Chapter 25 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 319-U, to read as follows:

#### 'Medical Care for Public Assistance.

Sec. 319-U. Medical care accumulation fund; rules and regulations; shall not lapse. The Department is authorized to establish a medical care accumulation fund to be used solely for the payment of medical, hospital or remedial care costs of recipients of public assistance under the provisions of this chapter. The fund shall be created by periodic payments into it based on a monthly amount per case as determined by the Department, which monthly amount may be paid into the fund even though the monthly amount added to the assistance payment exceeds the maximum assistance payment in this particular category. Said payment shall be made from the respective appropriations for the four public assistance categories and from federal grants available under the provisions of the Social Security Act as heretofore and hereafter amended. The payments out of the fund of the costs of medical, hospital or remedial care shall be made to those persons furnishing such services.

The Department is authorized and empowered to make all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of and expenditures from said fund.

The medical care accumulation fund shall not lapse but shall be a continuing fund so long as federal grants are available to match the State's contribution.

All payments into said fund shall cease whenever either federal grants or State appropriations are withdrawn. No payments shall be made out of said fund if federal grants or State appropriations are withdrawn, except that care contracted for before the date of such withdrawal shall be paid. Any money left in the fund in the event of withdrawal of federal grants or State appropriations shall be divided between the State and the Federal Government in proportion to the amount contributed by each.'

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect July 1, 1955.

Effective July 1, 1955

## Chapter 112

AN ACT Relating to Closed Time on Deer in Vinalhaven.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 91, amended. The eighth paragraph of section 91 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'There shall be a continual closed season on deer in the town of Vinalhaven, Knox county, and the islands within the confines of the town of Vinalhaven, until July 1, ~~1957~~ 1962.'

Effective August 20, 1955

## Chapter 113

AN ACT Relating to Sporting Camps in Unorganized Territory.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 37, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 37 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Every person, maintaining a sporting camp within the territory described in the preceding paragraph, shall obtain a license from the Commissioner each calendar year, and shall pay therefor a fee of \$5. The license shall not be issued unless the applicant files the written consent of the landowner or his agent upon whose property the sporting camp is located. Such written consent shall be filed once by the applicant, and so far as the particular applicant is concerned, it shall remain effective from year to year until the Commissioner is notified in writing by the landowner or applicant that the consent has been withdrawn. The holder of each license issued under the provisions of this section shall report the number of residents and nonresidents entertained in such camp, and shall furnish such other information relative to the natural resources of the State as the Commissioner may require, and shall file the same on or before the 15th day of December of each calendar year.'

Effective August 20, 1955