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AS PASSED BY THE

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Chapter 178

AN ACT Permitting Hunting with Bow and Arrow in Waldo County.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 108, amended. Section 108 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 108. Open season. There shall be an annual open season on deer in all counties of the State, except that portion of Piscataquis county south of the main line of the Canadian Pacific railway and ~~all of Waldo county~~, beginning on the 1st Monday of October ~~for a period of 15 days including such 1st Monday~~ and ending the 2nd Saturday thereafter, both days inclusive, for the purpose of hunting deer with bow and arrow only.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 179

AN ACT Adjusting Limitations on School Assessments in the Unorganized Territory to Conform with New State Valuations.

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, unorganized territory school taxes are assessed as of April 1; and

Whereas, the State Board of Tax Equalization made a revaluation of the state in 1954 which affected the income from the school tax on the unorganized territory; 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. 41, § 166, sub-§ I, amended. The 1st sentence of subsection I of section 166 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'On April 1, annually, the total cost of school privileges provided in any unorganized unit under sections 159, 160, 161 and 164, for the school year ending on the preceding June 30, together with an additional charge of 8% of such total cost for administration, but with deductions for the amount of interest on lands reserved, if any, prorated to allow for the allocation provided by subsection I of section 53 of chapter 36, of said unorganized unit for said school year and any other sums credited to the unorganized territory school fund on behalf of said unit, shall be assessed upon the property of said unorganized unit by the State Tax Assessor in accordance with the provisions

of section 79 of chapter 16; provided said assessment shall be limited to a school tax rate of 10 mills on the dollar above the average of school tax rates of the municipalities of the State for the preceding school year; except that the school tax rate for the assessment made April 1, 1955 shall be limited to a school tax rate of 10 mills on the dollar above the average of the school tax rates of the municipalities of the State as found by dividing the 1954 municipal appropriations for school maintenance and operation by the 1954 state valuation of said municipalities.'

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

Effective April 11, 1955

Chapter 180

AN ACT Relating to the Taking of Minnows for Bait.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 63, amended. The second paragraph of section 63 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'All persons dealing in live bait shall be licensed to do so by the Commissioner, and the fee therefor shall be \$5 for each calendar year. The license shall authorize the person holding the same to use the ordinary commercial type of minnow trap, umbrella minnow net or the ordinary commercial type of minnow seine not to exceed 4 feet in depth by 25 feet in length, in the taking of minnows and other unprotected fish commonly used for bait purposes.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 181

AN ACT Relating to Instruction Permits to Drive Motor Vehicles.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 60, amended. Section 60 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the 5th sentence the following new sentences:

'Any person who is at least 15 years of age may apply to the Secretary of State for an instruction permit. The Secretary of State may, in his discretion, after applicant has successfully passed all parts of an examination other than the driving test, issue to the applicant an instruction permit which shall entitle the applicant, while having such permit in his immediate possession, to drive a motor vehicle upon the public highways for a period of 60 days when accompanied by a licensed operator who has at least 1 year of driving experience and is at least 18 years of age and who is occupying a seat beside the driver, except in the event the permittee is operating a motorcycle, motor scooter or motor bike. The fee for all permits shall be \$1, which shall include cost of first examination. The fee