

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

## Ninety-seventh Legislature

OF THE

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tee of said town and an equal number of the trustees of the academy; provided that by a formal vote at an annual town meeting such action is requested.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 41, § 126, amended. Section 126 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

'Sec. 126. State Board of Education regulations. The State Board of Education may make such reasonable regulations regarding tuition charges, accounting and other aspects of academy and municipal relationships as are deemed necessary for carrying out the purposes and provisions of sections 125 to 129, inclusive. ~~Except as otherwise provided by law, the creation of a board consisting of representatives of an academy and a municipality for the purpose of administering the affairs of the academy is prohibited under the provisions of this section.~~

Effective August 20, 1955

## Chapter 234

### AN ACT Relating to Examination of Dog Shelters.

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

R. S., c. 100, § 11, repealed and replaced. Section 11 of chapter 100 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and replaced as follows :

'Sec. 11. Dog kennels. The Commissioner of Agriculture, or his authorized agent, may at any time, enter any kennel, shelters or buildings used for the purpose of housing dogs and excepting any domicile and excepting any building used for human habitation heretofore recognized as not subject to search without warrant, and make examination and conduct any recognized test of the existence of any contagious or infectious disease or condition, and may quarantine such place, kennel or shelter in person or by registered mail and maintain such quarantine as long as the Commissioner or his agent may deem necessary. Any kennel, shelter or place where dogs are housed or confined, shall be maintained in a sanitary and humane manner and any records required by law shall be properly kept and available to the Commissioner or his agent upon request.

Any person, firm or corporation violating any quarantine or maintaining dogs in an insanitary or inhumane condition, or not keeping records required by law shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 for each offense.'

Effective August 20, 1955

## Chapter 235

### AN ACT Relating to the Keeping of Records by Persons in the Business of Selling Dogs.

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

R. S., c. 100, § 27, amended. Section 27 of chapter 100 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

'Sec. 27. Persons buying or selling dogs to keep record. All persons or kennels engaged in buying or selling dogs must keep record of from whom bought and to whom sold, which record shall be open to inspection by local police officers or humane agents, or the Commissioner of Agriculture or his agent.'

Effective August 20, 1955

## Chapter 236

AN ACT Relating to the Closing of County Offices on Saturday.

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

Whereas, in order to permit the closing of the county offices of clerk of courts during the summer months of 1955, it is necessary that the following legislation become effective as soon as possible; 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. 89, § 19, amended. Section 19 of chapter 89 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 19. Saturday closing. County offices ~~except that of the clerk of courts~~ may in the discretion of the county commissioners of each county be closed on Saturdays in the months of June, July, August and September.'

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

Effective April 19, 1955

## Chapter 237

AN ACT Defining Boundaries of Jefferson and Whitefield Game Preserve.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 149, amended. That part of section 149 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, which relates to Jefferson and Whitefield game preserve, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'**Jefferson and Whitefield:** The following described territory situated in the towns of Jefferson and Whitefield, in the county of Lincoln: ~~Land of Jewett brothers, situated wholly or partly in the town of Jefferson; land of S. D. Erskine, wholly or partly in the towns of Jefferson and Whitefield; land of Clarence Ford, wholly or partly in the town of Jefferson; land of Boynton brothers, wholly or partly in the town of Jefferson;~~ which land is bounded as follows: On the north by the highway leading from Weary pond to South Jefferson; on the east by Sterns brook and by Little Dyer's pond and the inlet