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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-seventh Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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~~ful or systemic action~~; except that the use of local anaesthesia shall be restricted to use only by those podiatrists who have been granted a Doctorate degree from a school approved by the examiners. The words "podiatrist" and "chiropracist" and "podiatry" and "chiropody" as used in this chapter shall be construed to be synonymous.

A podiatrist is defined as one who administers any such aforesaid treatment to the human foot.'

Sec. 5. R. S., c. 66, § 7, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 7 of chapter 66 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Unless duly registered by said Board, no person shall prefix the title "Doctor" or the letters "Dr." or append the letters "M.D." to his name or use the title of doctor or physician in any way, excepting that any member of the Maine Osteopathic Association may prefix the title "Doctor" or the letters "Dr." to his name when accompanied by the word "Osteopath," or any member of the Maine State Chiropractors' Association or any chiropractor duly licensed by this State may prefix the title "Doctor" or the letters "Dr." to his name when accompanied by the word "Chiropractor," or any dentist duly licensed by this State may prefix the title "Doctor" or the letters "Dr." to his name, or any optometrist duly licensed under the laws of this State may prefix the title "Doctor" or the letters "Dr." to his name when accompanied by the word "Optometrist," or any podiatrist duly licensed under the laws of this State may prefix the title "Doctor" or the letters "Dr." to his name when accompanied by the word "Podiatrist" or "Chiropracist," when permitted such right by the laws governing the practice of podiatry.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 262

AN ACT to Permit Counties to Use Surplus Funds.

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

R. S., c. 89, § 30-A, additional. Chapter 89 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 30-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 30-A. Surplus funds. Any county having unencumbered surplus funds remaining on hand from a previous year or years may authorize its transfer, in whole or in part, for use in non-capital purposes as well as in capital purposes.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 263

AN ACT Relating to Sale and Use of Electric Fences.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, a large number of electric fences now in use in the State are dangerous by reason of faulty construction or installation; and

Whereas, by reason of the faulty construction or installation of said electric fences, human life has been lost; and

Whereas, the following legislation is wholly necessary for the protection of human life; 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. 137, § 18-A, additional. Chapter 137 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 18-A, to read as follows:

‘Electric Fences.

Sec. 18-A. Use of electrical fences. No person or individual shall sell, utilize, install or have installed within this State, equipment, devices or methods whereby fence wires may be energized with electricity unless a standard type of controller is used, which has the approval of the Underwriter’s Laboratories and carries such label thereon or has the approved listing of the Department of Industrial Cooperation at the University of Maine.

Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100, or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.’

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

Effective April 25, 1955

Chapter 264

AN ACT Relating to Use of Photostatic Reproductions.

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

R. S., c. 113, § 146, repealed and replaced. Section 146 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 146. Photostatic and microfilm reproductions admissible. If any business, institution, bank, trust company, member of a profession or calling, or any department or agency of government, in the regular course of his or its business or activity has kept or recorded any memorandum, writing, entry, print, representation or combination thereof, of any act, transaction, occurrence or event, and in the regular course of his or its business or activity has caused any or all of the same to be recorded, copied or reproduced by any photographic, photostatic, microfilm, micro-card, miniature photographic or other process which accurately reproduces or forms a durable medium for so reproducing the original, such reproduction, or copy, when satisfactorily identified, is as admissible in evidence as the original itself in any judicial or administrative proceeding whether the original is in existence or not and an enlargement or facsimile of such repro-