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### Chapter 270

#### AN ACT Relating to the Salaries of the County Commissioners of Cumberland County.

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

**R. S., c. 89, § 6, amended.** That part of section 6 of chapter 89 of the revised statutes, which relates to the salary of the county commissioners of Cumberland county, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Cumberland, \$=,=50 \$3,000,'

Effective August 20, 1955

### Chapter 271

AN ACT Relating to the Practice of Physical Therapy in the State of Maine.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 67-A, additional. The revised statutes are hereby amended by adding thereto a new chapter to be numbered 67-A, to read as follows:

#### 'CHAPTER 67-A.

#### Board of Examiners in Physical Therapy.

Sec. 1. Definitions. In this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

"Board of Examiners in Physical Therapy", as herein established and hereinafter in this chapter called the "Board", shall consist of the members of the Board of Registration in Medicine together with 2 physical therapists appointed by the Governor from a list of 6 physical therapists nominated by the Maine Physical Therapy Association; one as designated by the Governor shall serve for a term of 2 years; the other for a term of 4 years. Thereafter, the physical therapist so appointed by the Governor shall be appointed from a list of 3 physical therapists, submitted by the Maine Physical Therapy Association, for a term of 4 years.

"Physical therapist" means a person who practices physical therapy.

"Physical therapy" means the treatment of any bodily or mental condition of any person by the use of physical, chemical and other properties of heat or cold, light, water, electricity, massage, therapeutic exercise and physical rehabilitation procedures. The use of roentgen rays and radium for diagnostic and therapeutic purposes, and the use of electricity for surgical purposes, including cauterization, are not authorized under the term "physical therapy" as used in this chapter.

Words importing the masculine gender may be applied to females.

Sec. 2. Powers and duties of the Board. The Board shall hold regular meetings, one in March, one in July and one in November, upon the same dates and