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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

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Chapter 457

AN ACT Relating to Records for Running Horse Race Meets.

Emergency preamble. Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment ; and

Whereas, it is essential that records of running horse race meets be audited by the State Department of Audit ; and

Whereas, such audit, for the best interests of the people of Maine, should be made for such meets held in the Spring and Summer of 1955 ; 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 :

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 87, § 17, repealed and replaced. Section 17 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof :

'Sec. 17. Records. Every person, association or corporation conducting a race or race meet under the provisions of this chapter shall so keep its books and records as to clearly show all financial transactions relating to racing, which books and records shall be subject to audit at any time by the State Department of Audit.'

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Audit from the general fund of the state, the sum of \$1,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956 and \$1,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957 to carry out the provisions of this act.

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

Effective May 21, 1955

Chapter 458

AN ACT Relating to Funeral Expenses for Recipients of Old Age Assistance.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 25, § 291, amended. Section 291 of chapter 25 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

'Sec. 291. Funeral expenses. On the death of a recipient, reasonable funeral expenses not exceeding ~~\$125~~ \$150 shall be paid by the State if the estate of the deceased is insufficient to pay the same.'