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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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'He (Insurance Commissioner) shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$7,000~~ \$8,000.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 474

AN ACT to Supplement Loans by Maine School Building Authority.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 41, § 248, sub-§ XIII-A, additional. Section 248 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new subsection to be numbered XIII-A, to read as follows:

'XIII-A. As funds may be made available for the purpose, to supplement, on a grant basis, lease agreements with those towns where the maximum loan agreement that the Authority will approve is not sufficient to finance the minimum classroom facilities needed. Determination as to eligibility shall be under such rules and regulations as the Authority shall make and its determination shall be final upon approval of the Governor and Council.

It is the intent of the Legislature that grants of funds to towns under this subsection shall be made only as supplementary financial aid to those towns which cannot finance minimum needed classroom facilities within the maximum loan limit policy of the Authority. Aid granted hereunder is not to be considered as establishing a precedent for granting general capital outlay funds for school construction.'

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund of the State the sum of \$100,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956 for carrying out the purposes of this act. This appropriation shall be a continuing account and any balances remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 475

AN ACT Relating to Driver Education.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 41, §§ 218-A and 218-B, additional. Chapter 41 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 2 new sections to be numbered 218-A and 218-B, to read as follows:

'Driver Education.

Sec. 218-A. Purpose. The purpose of sections 218-A and 218-B is to develop the knowledge, attitudes, habits and skills necessary for the safe operation of motor vehicles, through classroom instruction and behind the wheel driving

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and observation in a dual control automobile, by encouraging superintending school committees of the several municipalities of the State to make provision for this instruction in all the public secondary schools and academies under joint board or contract with the town.

Sec. 218-B. Educational aid. The Commissioner of Education, with the approval of the State Board of Education, shall employ necessary personnel, subject to the terms of the Personnel Law, and establish rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of sections 218-A and 218-B, including the following:

I. Salaries and traveling expenses for a State Director of Driver Education, clerical assistance and supplementary teaching aids essential to the program;

II. Special subsidies shall be paid in September to the cities, towns, plantations and community school districts for all courses in driver education according to the following plan: \$10 for each pupil satisfactorily completing the driver education course during the school year 1955-1956, and thereafter \$10 for each pupil satisfactorily completing the driver education course for the first year it is instituted in a given school. The subsidy for these continuing courses shall be with and in addition to General Purpose Aid and shall be computed on the annual salary of the driver education teacher by adding 25 percentage points to the maximum percentage used in computing subsidy under section 237. Such driver education course shall meet the approval of the Commissioner in regard to teacher qualifications, limitations as to the number of pupils and the course of study offered.'

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education from the general fund the following sums:

	1955-56	1956-57
Department of Education	\$11,000	\$11,000
Subsidies	—	60,000
	\$11,000	\$71,000

Subsidies so paid should be in addition to the General Purpose Aid as provided in section 237 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes.

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 476

AN ACT Relating to an Expense Account for Governor-Elect.

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

R. S., c. 11, § 2-A, additional. Chapter 11 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 2-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 2-A. Expense account of Governor-elect. There shall be established the "Governor-elect's expense account" to which shall be credited the sum of \$1,500 as a continuing reserve. At the close of each fiscal year there shall be transferred from unappropriated surplus an amount sufficient to restore such expense account to \$1,500.