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AS PASSED BY THE

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Chapter 20

AN ACT Relating to Burial Expenses for Recipients of Aid to the Blind and Aid to the Disabled.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 25, § 313, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 313 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Upon the death of a beneficiary, occurring after August 20, 1951, the State shall have a claim against his estate, enforceable in the probate court, for all amounts paid to him under the provisions of sections 298 to 318, inclusive. Such claims shall have priority over all unsecured claims against such estate, except:

- I. Administrative expenses, including probate fees and taxes;
- II. Expenses of the last sickness ~~and burial expenses;~~
- III. Funeral expenses, not exceeding \$400, exclusive of clergymen's honorarium and cemetery expenses.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 25, § 319-Q, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 319-Q of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 30 of chapter 405 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Upon the death of a beneficiary, the State shall have a claim against his estate, enforceable in the probate court, for all amounts paid to him under the provisions of sections 319-A to 319-T, inclusive. Such claim shall have priority over all unsecured claims against such estate, except:

- I. Administrative expenses, including probate fees and taxes;
- II. Expenses of the last sickness ~~and burial expenses;~~
- III. Funeral expenses, not exceeding \$400, exclusive of clergymen's honorarium and cemetery expenses.'

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 21

AN ACT Changing the Name of Pownal State School to Pineland Hospital and Training Center.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 27, § 143, amended. Section 143 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 143. Management; ages of inmates. The ~~Pownal State School~~ Pineland Hospital and Training Center, heretofore established at Pownal in the county of Cumberland, shall be maintained for the care and education of idiotic

and feeble-minded males and females, between the ages of 5 years and 55 years, except that idiotic and feeble-minded state paupers or patients transferred from either State Hospital for the insane under the provisions of this chapter may be admitted after the above stated age.'

Sec. 2. Amendatory clause. Wherever in the Revised Statutes or public laws or private and special laws, the words "Pownal State School" appear they shall be amended to the words "Pineland Hospital and Training Center."

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 22

AN ACT Relating to Powers of Court Under Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act.

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

R. S., c. 167, § 21, sub-§ III, amended. Subsection III of section 21 of chapter 167 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'III. To punish the respondent who shall violate any order of the Court to the same extent as is provided by law for contempt of the Court in any other suit or proceeding cognizable by the Court or an execution may issue as in actions of tort. When the respondent is committed to jail for contempt or on execution issued, as provided, the county having jurisdiction of the process shall bear the expense of his support and commitment and he may be discharged in the same manner as provided by section 64 of chapter 166.'

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 23

AN ACT Relating to Fees for Licenses of Funeral Directors and Embalmers.

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

R. S., c. 25, § 200, amended. The 1st 2 sentences of section 200 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 4 of chapter 213 of the public laws of 1955, are hereby further amended to read as follows:

'The fee for examinations under the provisions of section 197 shall be ~~5~~ \$10, and all licenses and certificates of registration which have been or may be issued to funeral directors and embalmers by the Board of ~~examiners~~ shall expire on the 31st day of December, annually. Any person holding an embalmer's license or certificate of registration or funeral director's license issued under the provisions of this or any other law, may have the same renewed by making and filing with the secretary of said Board of ~~examiners~~ an application therefor within 30 days preceding the expiration of his or her license or certificate of registration, upon blanks prescribed by said Board, and upon the payment of a renewal fee of ~~2~~ \$4 for an embalmer's license, ~~2~~ \$4 for a funeral director's license, ~~3~~ \$6 for a combination embalmer's and funeral director's license and ~~1~~ \$2 for an