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ever, that the provisions of this chapter shall apply to the Maine National Guard, with respect to such employees, as if it constituted a "political subdivision" within the meaning of this section.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 65, § 3, amended. The 1st sentence of section 3 of chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The State Agency, with the approval of the Governor, is authorized to enter on behalf of the State into an agreement with the Federal Security Administrator, consistent with the terms and provisions of this chapter, for the purpose of extending the benefits of the Federal Old Age and Survivors Insurance System to employees of any political subdivision of the State and to the civilian employees of the Maine National Guard who are employed pursuant to Section 90 of the National Defense Act of June 3, 1916 (32 U. S. C., Sec. 42), with respect to services specified in such agreement which constitute "employment" as defined in section 2.'

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

Effective April 16, 1957

Chapter 151

AN ACT Relating to Use of Moneys Received Under Sardine Tax Law.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the packing of sardines is one of the most important industries of the State; and

Whereas, the Maine Sardine Council has greatly assisted this important Maine Industry by gathering and distributing information concerning merchandising and by sustained advertising; and

Whereas, the packers and the Maine Sardine Council are constantly striving to improve the quality of the manufactured product as an aid to merchandising; and

Whereas, gathering, studying, classifying and distributing information and data concerning quality, grades, standards, methods of packing, and character of the manufactured product will greatly assist in merchandising and is also necessary to sustain and develop this important industry; and

Whereas, the Commissioner of Agriculture, who is charged with certain duties to inspect the product and to determine, promulgate and modify grades, should have available all significant information so he can efficiently carry out his duties; and

Whereas, it is urgent that such information be made available promptly, particularly by the beginning of the packing season, which extends from April 15th to December 1st; 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 legis-

lation 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. 16, § 267, sub-§ II, ¶ C, additional. Subsection II of section 267 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 4 of chapter 471 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new paragraph C, to read as follows:

'C. For gathering, studying, classifying and distributing information and data concerning quality, grades, standards, methods of packing and character of the manufactured sardine products, in order to determine and improve their quality and aid in merchandising and advertising them under the direction of the Maine Sardine Council with the advice and cooperation of the Commissioner of Industry and Commerce. Such information and data and the services of the personnel who collect and classify it may be made available to the Commissioner of Agriculture for use in promulgating, establishing and modifying official grades for sardines and for use in assigning and determining grades of sardines and in enforcing applicable provisions of the law.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 16, § 261, repealed and replaced. Section 261 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 261. Definitions. For the purpose of sections 260 to 269, inclusive:

The term "sardine" shall be held to include any canned, clupeoid fish being the fish commonly called herring, particularly the *clupea harengus*.

A "case" of sardines shall mean:

I. 100 one-quarter size cans of sardines packed in oil, mustard or tomato sauce, or any other packing medium;

II. 48 three-quarter size cans packed in mustard or tomato sauce, or any other packing medium;

III. 48 cans of 15-ounce ovals packed in oil;

IV. 48 cans of 15-ounce ovals containing 13 or more fish packed in tomato or mustard sauce, or any other packing medium;

V. 48 cans of 15-ounce ovals containing 12 or less fish packed in mustard or tomato sauce, or any other packing medium except oil.

"Packer" shall mean any person, partnership, association, firm, corporation or entity engaged in packing sardines for sale.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 16, § 262, amended. The last paragraph of section 262 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 126 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'The tax provided by this section shall be suspended on all cases of sardines described in subsection III V of section 261 packed between January 1, ~~1955~~ 1957 and January 1, ~~1957~~ 1959.'

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

Effective April 16, 1957

Chapter 152

AN ACT Repealing the Merit Award Board.

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

R. S., c. 63, §§ 7-10, repealed. Sections 7 to 10, inclusive, of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, are hereby repealed.

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 153

AN ACT Relating to Motor Vehicles Emerging from Alley, Driveway or Building.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 86, amended. Section 86 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 86. Right of way at intersecting ways and at entrances of private roads to public ways. All vehicles shall have the right of way over other vehicles approaching at intersecting public ways from the left and shall give the right of way to those approaching from the right; except that traffic officers stationed at such intersections may otherwise regulate traffic thereat. The driver of a vehicle entering a public way from a private road, alley, driveway or building shall yield the right of way to all vehicles approaching on such public way and shall yield the right of way to any pedestrian approaching on said public way or sidewalk; and before crossing any sidewalk, or before entering such public way where no sidewalk shall exist, shall proceed cautiously across said sidewalk or into said public way. "Private road" as used in this section shall be construed to include a private road, a private way of any description, an alleyway or a driveway.'

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 154

AN ACT Relating to Group Life Insurance.

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

R. S., c. 60, § 164, repealed and replaced. Section 164 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by sections 1 and 2 of chapter 228 and by chapter