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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-eighth Legislature

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covering the risk does not exceed ~~\$100~~ \$1,000; ~~provided also that upon~~. Upon application from an insurance company or its authorized representative, written permission to make earlier payment on any loss may be given said company or its authorized representative by the Commissioner, and immediately upon issuance of such permit, the Commissioner shall notify and grant permits to any other companies known to be interested in the risk.

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## Chapter 205

### AN ACT Relating to Leave of Absence from Work for Certain Employees While in Temporary Military Training.

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

R. S., c. 30, § 56-A, additional. Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 56-A, to read as follows:

#### 'Leave of Absence for Military Training.

Sec. 56-A. Leave of absence for military training. Any member of an organized unit or control group of the ready reserve of the armed forces, who, in order to receive military training with the armed forces of the United States not exceeding 17 days in any one calendar year, leaves a position other than a temporary position in the employ of any employer, and who shall give notice to his employer of the date of departure and date of return for the purposes of military training, and of the satisfactory completion of such training immediately thereafter, and who is still qualified to perform the duties of such position, shall be entitled to be restored to his previous, or a similar, position with the same status, pay and seniority, and such period of absence for military training shall be construed as an absence with leave and, within the discretion of the employer, said leave may be with or without pay.

Such absence for military training shall not affect the employee's right to receive normal vacation, sick leave, bonus, advancement and other advantages of his employment normally to be anticipated in his particular position.

If any employer fails to comply with any of the provisions of this section, the employee may, at his election, bring an action at law for damages for such non-compliance or apply to the courts for such equitable relief as may be just and proper under the circumstances.'

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## Chapter 206

### AN ACT Relating to Beano.

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

R. S., c. 139, § 23, amended. The 1st sentence of section 23 of chapter 139 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Chief of the State Police may issue licenses to operate such amusement for a period of 6 days to any fair association or bona fide charitable, educational, fraternal, patriotic, religious or veterans organization which was in existence at least 2 years prior to its application for a license, when sponsored, operated and conducted for the exclusive benefit of such organization by duly authorized members thereof; ~~provided that said~~. Said 2 years years' limitation shall not apply to any chartered posts of veterans organizations, nationally established, even though such posts have not been in existence for 2 years prior to their application for a license; and ~~provided further, that a license may be issued to a fair association to operate such amusement in conjunction with its annual fair when sponsored, operated and conducted for the benefit of such fair association.'~~

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## Chapter 207

### AN ACT Relating to Age of Admission to State Hospitals.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, the youngest age at which persons may be admitted to a State Hospital is 12 years; and

Whereas, there are in the State persons under this age who are mentally ill and in great need of treatment in a State Hospital; and

Whereas, such persons cannot now be accepted for treatment in a State Hospital; and

Whereas, such persons are dangerous to the public safety; 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:*

**R. S., c. 27, § 102-A, additional.** Chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section, to be numbered 102-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 102-A. Admittance of children between 8 and 16 years of age. The Superintendent of the Augusta State Hospital or Bangor State Hospital may, at his discretion, admit to the Hospital any child between the ages of 8 years and 16 years who is deemed by him to be suffering from psychosis, neurosis, psychoneurosis, behavior disorder or other mental disability, upon written application made therefor by the parent, guardian, or natural guardian, or person having custody of such child. Such application, attested and sworn to by the clerk of the municipality where the child is found, shall be accompanied by a certificate of a reputable physician that such person is suffering from mental disability and, in the opinion of the physician, is a fit subject for said Hospital. The physician who makes such certificate shall have examined such child, whose admission is sought, within 5 days of the signing and making oath to this certificate. Admission to the Hospital must be completed within 15 days of the signing of