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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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and charges, fails, neglects or refuses to pay said municipality the expense thereby incurred, a special tax in the amount of such assessment and charges may be assessed by the municipal assessors upon each and every lot or parcel of land so assessed and buildings upon the same, and such assessment shall be included in the next annual warrant to the tax collector for collection, and shall be collected in the same manner as state, county and municipal taxes are collected.'

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 280

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

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

R. S., c. 167, § 9, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 9 of chapter 167 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Residence of the ~~petitioner~~ obligee shall determine the jurisdiction of the Court even though the petitioner may have been a party to a divorce granted in another jurisdiction in which support was allowed.'

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 281

AN ACT Providing for Certified Mail Under Small Claims Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 109, § 4, amended. Section 4 of chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 4. Fees. Of the amount of the entry fee, the judge shall receive 75c. Of the \$1.25 remaining a sufficient sum shall be applied directly on the registered or certified postage mentioned in section 6 and the balance shall be retained by the clerk or recorder, or in towns where there is no clerk or recorder, by the judge in addition to the 75c fee mentioned above.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 109, § 6, amended. Section 6 of chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 6. Notice to defendant. The judge shall cause notice of the claim and the substance thereof to be given to the defendant by sending a written statement to the defendant by postpaid registered or certified mail addressed to the defendant at his last known post-office address, delivery of said notice to be restricted to the defendant in person, and directing the defendant to appear at a time and place of hearing which shall be not less than 14 days from the date said notice is mailed to defendant. A return receipt showing that defendant

has received the statement at least 7 days prior to the time set for the hearing shall constitute an essential part of the service. If service is not effected by registered or certified mail as aforesaid, then the court may direct that service on the defendant be completed as in other actions at law at the expense of the plaintiff.'

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 282

AN ACT Increasing Compensation of Members of Boards of Registration in Cities over 39,000 Inhabitants and Time of Sessions.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 3, § 13, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 13 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 396 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'In cities of 39,000 inhabitants and ~~less than 50,000 inhabitants~~ over, the chairman of the board shall receive ~~\$3,050~~ \$3,250 per year and the other 2 members of the board shall receive ~~\$2,700~~ \$2,900 per year and such additional amounts as may be authorized by the municipal officers or board of finance.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 3, § 16, amended. The 1st and 2nd sentences of section 16 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes are hereby amended to read as follows:

'In cities of 30,000 inhabitants or more, boards of registration shall be in session every day of the year, Saturdays, Sundays and court holidays excepted, for the purpose of registration and enrollment of voters and to revise and correct the voting list. Open sessions shall be held for the purpose of registration and enrollment of voters from 9 to 12 o'clock in the morning, and from 2 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon ~~Saturday afternoon excepted.~~'

Sec. 3. Limitation. The salary increases provided for in section 1 of this act shall not apply to any member of the 98th Legislature.

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 283

AN ACT Increasing Number of Medical Examiners for Cumberland County.

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

R. S., c. 89, § 243, amended. The 3rd sentence of section 243 of chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The number of medical examiners so to be appointed shall be as follows: For the counties of Franklin, Knox, Lincoln, Piscataquis, Sagadahoc, Somerset and