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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

## Ninety-ninth Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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## Chapter 445

**AN ACT** Relating to Definition of Fish Under Weights and Measures Law.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment; and

Whereas, uncertainty has arisen concerning interpretation of the word fish for the purpose of sale and enforcement under the Weights and Measures Law; and

Whereas, the word fish is differentiated from shellfish and lobster under sea and shore fisheries laws and regulations; and

Whereas, the sale of shellfish and lobster has been transacted on a basis contrary to the provisions of the present Weights and Measures Law; and

Whereas, there is difficulty in determining how and in what manner the Weights and Measures Law shall be applied to such sales; and

Whereas, summer retail outlets handling large volumes of such sales will soon be in operation; and

Whereas, difficulties of legal interpretation should not properly be permitted to harbor impediments to the consumation of such essential and necessary business; 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. 32-A, § 32, amended.** Section 32 of chapter 32-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 260 of the public laws of 1957, is amended by adding at the end of a new paragraph as follows:

**'The word "fish" for the purposes of this chapter shall not include marine mollusks or crustacea.'**

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

Effective May 8, 1958

## Chapter 446

**AN ACT** Providing Fire Protection for Argyle Township and Kingman Plantation, Penobscot County.

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

**R. S., c. 89, § 71-A, amended.** Section 71-A of chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 37 of chapter 405 of the public laws of 1955 and

as amended by chapter 173 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 71-A. Assessment for fire protection tax. The county commissioners of Aroostook County are authorized, on behalf of the inhabitants of Connor and Silver Ridge Townships, of Township 17, R. 4 and Township 17, R. 5, and the county commissioners of Piscataquis County are authorized, on behalf of the inhabitants of Medford and Orneville Townships, and the county commissioners of Oxford County are authorized, on behalf of the inhabitants of Albany Township, and the county commissioners of Penobscot County are authorized, on behalf of the inhabitants of Argyle Township and Kingman Plantation to enter into contracts on such terms as they deem fit with one or more persons, associations or municipalities, or to take such other steps as they deem advisable, to provide fire protection, other than forest fire protection, for the Townships of Connor, Silver Ridge, Township 17, R. 4, Township 17, R. 5, Medford, Orneville and, Albany, Argyle and Kingman. The county commissioners shall annually assess upon the townships an amount sufficient to provide for such protection, and said assessment shall be certified and transmitted by the county treasurers to the State Tax Assessor not later than April 1st of each year, provided said assessment in respect to Township 17, R. 4 and Township 17, R. 5 shall not exceed \$505 each in any one year. The State Tax Assessor shall determine the amount of tax due, in accordance with the provisions of section 79 of chapter 16, section 79, and shall include such amounts in the statements referred to in section 82 of chapter 16, section 82. Collection of such fire protection tax shall be enforced in the same manner as provided for the enforcement of collection of county taxes.'

Effective August 7, 1958

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## Chapter 447

### AN ACT to Exclude National Guard and Reserve Pay from Wages Under Employment Security Law

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, economic insecurity due to unemployment is a serious menace to the health, welfare and morals of the people of the State of Maine; and

Whereas, involuntary unemployment is a subject of general interest and concern; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that the following legislation be effective immediately to lighten the burden which falls so heavily upon the unemployed worker and his family, and particularly when such worker is a member of the Maine National Guard; 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:*

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 29, § 3, sub-§ XVII, ¶¶ A and B, amended. Paragraphs A and B of subsection XVII of section 3 of chapter 29 of the Revised Statutes, as