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cess or merchandise, whether or not they are employed to sell such materials, goods in process or merchandise. The term "merchandise" wherever used in sections 4 to 11 shall mean any and all goods, wares and materials, raw, wrought or in process, including the products of agriculture.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 15

AN ACT Repealing the Advisory Committee on Budget.

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

R. S., c. 15-A, § 10, repealed. Section 10 of chapter 15-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 340 of the public laws of 1957, is repealed, as follows:

'See. 10. Advisory Committee on Budget. There shall be an Advisory Committee on Budget consisting of 3 members, one Senator selected by the presiding officer of the Senate and 2 Representatives selected by the presiding officer of the House of Representatives prior to October 1st of the even numbered years.

The Senator so selected shall be, if practicable, the senior ranking member of the Senate of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs who is to serve as a member of the Senate of the next succeeding Legislature.

The 2 Representatives so selected shall be, if practicable, the senior ranking members of the House of Representatives of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs who are to serve as members of the House of Representatives of the next succeeding Legislature, and shall be of different political parties.

The members of the Committee shall be paid the necessary expenses ineurred in the performance of their duties, and in addition thereto, they shall each receive \$15 per day for the time actually spent while the Legislature is not in session. This Committee shall meet with the Governor elect, when so requested by him, during the preparation of the budget, and shall advise with the Governor elect on any and all matters pertaining to the financial policy of the State Government. The Governor elect, however, shall be fully responsible for all budgetary recommendations made to the Legislature.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 16

AN ACT Relating to Officers of Domestic Mutual Fire Insurance Companies.

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

R. S., c. 60, § 93, amended. Section 93 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 93. Compensation of directors; votes by proxy limited. The salary or compensation for services of the directors treasurer and secretary of domestic

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mutual fire insurance companies shall be fixed by the policyholders at their annual meeting and no policyholder or other person is allowed more than 15 votes by proxy.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 17

AN ACT Relating to Sale of Butter and Margarine Under Weights and Measures Law.

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

R. S., c. 32-A, § 33, amended. Section 33 of chapter 32-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 260 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 33. Butter, oleomargarine and margarine. Butter, oleomargarine and margarine shall be offered and exposed for sale and sold by weight, and when in package form these commodities shall be packaged only in units of 1/4 pound, 1/2 pound, one pound or multiples of one pound, avoirdupois weight.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 18

AN ACT Authorizing Public Utilities Commission to Determine Financial Responsibility of Motor Carriers of Passengers.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, compliance with sections 10 to 12 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes imposes hardship upon motor carriers of passengers for hire, particularly because of non-cancellability features of insurance policies and indemnity bonds required under such sections; and

Whereas, continued operation by such carriers is essential to the welfare of the State and the various communities served by such carriers; and

Whereas, adoption of the following legislation is necessary to ensure the continuance of services provided by such carriers; 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 public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

R. S., c. 48, §§ 10-12, repealed and replaced. Sections 10 to 12 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 10. Financial responsibility for liability for personal injury or property damage. The Secretary of State shall not register any motor vehicle or trailer