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price, and upon the total rental charged for living quarters, sleeping or house-keeping accommodations in hotels, rooming houses, tourist or trailer camps, except as in this chapter provided.'

Sec. 8. R. S., c. 17, § 6, sub-§ V, additional. Section 6 of chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new subsection V, as follows:

'V. Every person managing or operating a hotel, rooming house, tourist or trailer camp or collecting or receiving rents therefrom on behalf of the owner or operator.'

Sec. 9. R. S., c. 17, § 10, sub-§§ XVI-A to XVI-E, additional. Section 10 of chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding 5 new subsections to be numbered XVI-A to XVI-E, to read as follows:

'XVI-A. Rental charged for living quarters, sleeping or housekeeping accommodations at camps entitled to exemption from property tax under the provisions of chapter 91-A, section 10, subsection II.

XVI-B. Rental charged for living or sleeping quarters in an institution licensed by the State for the hospitalization or nursing care of human beings.

XVI-C. Rental charged for living quarters, sleeping or housekeeping accommodations to any student necessitated by attendance at a school as defined in subsection XVI.

XVI-D. Rental charged to any person for living quarters in an apartment house.

XVI-E. Rental charged to any person after he has resided continuously for 3 months or 90 days at any one hotel, rooming house, tourist or trailer camp.'

Sec. 10. R. S., c. 17, § 15, amended. The first sentence of section 15 of chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'The taxes imposed by this chapter shall be due and payable at the time of the sale; or, in the case of tax on rental for living quarters, sleeping or housekeeping accommodations, at the time the rental is payable.'

Sec. 11. Effective date. Rentals payable on and after September 1, 1959, pursuant to contracts entered into prior thereto, shall be subject to the tax imposed by this act.

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

Effective June 13, 1959

Chapter 351

AN ACT Amending the Maine Housing Authorities Act.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 93, § 17, amended. The next to last sentence of section 17 of chapter 93 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 395 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'It is the purpose and intent of this chapter to authorize every authority to do any and all things necessary or desirable to secure the financial aid or cooperation of the Federal Government in the undertaking, construction, maintenance or operation of any project by such authority; ~~provided, however, that no.~~ No authority shall enter into any contract for loans, grants, contributions or other financial assistance with the Federal Government for any project unless or until the governing body of its city, after referendum duly held thereon, and a majority of the voters voting, having voted in favor thereof, or the annual meeting of its town, as the case may be, shall, by resolution duly adopted, have approved its entering into such contract ~~prior to April 1, 1961.~~'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 93, § 17, amended. Section 17 of chapter 93 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 395 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended by adding at the end 2 new paragraphs, to read as follows:

'No authority of any city in excess of 60,000 population shall enter into any contract for loans, grants, contributions or other financial assistance with the Federal Government for any project unless or until a majority of the voters of such city, voting in a referendum duly held, have voted in favor of the question: "Do you favor the development of approximately dwelling units of low-rent housing for persons of low income to be constructed in the area, bounded as follows:, within the territorial boundaries of the city for which the housing authority of the city may enter into agreements or contracts with the Federal Government for loans, grants, contributions or other financial assistance?"'

The number of dwelling units and the location to be inserted in the proposed question shall be determined by appropriate resolution of the authority which shall furnish the city clerk with a copy thereof. The governing body shall authorize and make the necessary provisions for the holding of said referendum on a date no later than 60 calendar days from the receipt of said resolution by the city clerk. No authority of such city shall enter into any contract for loans, grants, contributions or other financial assistance with the Federal Government unless or until the governing body of such city shall, by resolution duly adopted, have approved its application to the Federal Government for such financial assistance.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 352

AN ACT Providing for an Executive Secretary for the Highway Safety Committee.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, highway accidents constitute a grave danger to the people of this State; and

Whereas, the Maine Highway Safety Committee needs to coordinate its efforts in saving lives and property; and

Whereas, in order to do this effectively, a full-time employee is needed; and

Whereas, this Bill provides for a full-time executive secretary who will provide the coordination needed; and