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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundredth Legislature

OF THE

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## Chapter 212

### AN ACT Relating to Hospitalization of Persons Suffering from Excessive Use of Alcohol.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 25, § 167, amended.** Section 167 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 167. Persons suffering from use of opiates committed to a hospital. A person alleged to be suffering from the effects of the use of an opiate, cocaine, chloral hydrate, ~~or~~ other narcotic, barbiturate or the excessive use of alcohol may be committed to the care of any hospital, including any state hospital for the mentally ill or any legally qualified physician of not less than 5 years' actual practice for treatment ~~and the~~. The medical authorities of said hospital or said physician to whom said patient is committed may restrain said patient, so committed, in such manner as may be necessary for his protection, for a period of not more than 90 days.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 25, § 168, amended.** Section 168 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 168. Agreement for personal restraint. Before any restraint shall be imposed under the authority of ~~the preceding~~ section 167, a voluntary agreement shall be made in writing by the person suffering from the effects of ~~any drug mentioned in said section~~ the use of an opiate, cocaine, chloral hydrate, other narcotic, barbiturate or the excessive use of alcohol, to the imposition of restraint upon his actions, if necessary, and such agreement must be witnessed by the husband, wife or parent of the person aforesaid, or one of the municipal officers of the city or town in which the person, so suffering, is a resident, and approved, after reasonable notice, by a Justice of the Superior Court or the judge of probate in the county where the patient resides.'

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## Chapter 213

### AN ACT Relating to the Use of Armories for Military Purposes.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 14, § 17, amended.** The 8th sentence of section 17 of chapter 14 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'The commission is further authorized and directed to cooperate with the Federal Government or municipalities in establishing and coordinating national defense in this State, especially in the providing of equipment, training, facilities, suitable quarters for troops and supplies, and buildings and lands for military purposes, including construction and expansion of armories and other facilities for joint use by the National Guard and another reserve component or other reserve components of the armed forces of the United States.'