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Chapter 314

AN ACT Relating to County Appropriations for Industrial Development in Washington County.

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

R. S., c. 89, § 16-A, additional. Chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 16-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 16-A. Industrial development. At the request of the county commissioners of Washington County the State Department of Economic Development may assign personnel to the county to aid in planning its industrial growth and development. The expenses and salary of such personnel shall be paid for by county funds but shall not exceed \$12,500 annually.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 315

AN ACT Relating to Actions for Injuries Causing Death.

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

R. S., c. 165, § 10, amended. The last sentence of section 10 of chapter 165 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 188 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'The jury may give such damages as they shall deem a fair and just compensation, not exceeding ~~\$20,000~~ \$30,000, with reference to the pecuniary injuries resulting from such death to the persons for whose benefit such action is brought, and in addition thereto, shall give such damages as will compensate the estate of such deceased person for reasonable expenses of medical, surgical and hospital care and treatment and for reasonable funeral expenses, provided such action shall be commenced within 2 years after the death of such person.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 316

AN ACT Relating to Burden of Proof on Questions of Fact in Industrial Accident Commission Decisions.

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

R. S., c. 31, § 37, amended. The last sentence of section 37 of chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'His decision, in the absence of fraud, upon all questions of fact shall be final but whenever in a decree the commission expressly rules that any party has or has not sustained the burden of proof cast upon him, the said finding shall not be considered a finding of fact but shall be deemed to be a conclusion of law and shall be reviewable as such.'

Effective September 16, 1961