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'Sec. 81. Lands in places not incorporated subject to county taxes. Lands mentioned in section 78 may be assessed by the county commissioners for a due proportion of county taxes. Such assessment shall be made upon the total valuation of each unorganized township and lot or parcel of land not included in any township and rights in public reserved lots whenever assessable, according to the last state valuation. Lists of such taxes showing the total tax assessed for each unorganized township and lot or parcel of land not included in any township, and rights in public reserved lots whenever assessable, and the millage rate for county tax purposes shall immediately be certified and transmitted by the county treasurer to the State Tax Assessor. The State Tax Assessor shall determine the proportionate amount of such taxes due from the owners of such lands and shall include such amounts in the statements referred to in section 82.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 89, § 15, amended. Section 15 of chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 15. County tax apportioned; warrants. When a county tax is authorized, the county commissioners shall, in March in the year for which such tax is granted, apportion it upon the towns and other places according to the last state valuation and fix the time for the payment of the same, which shall not be earlier than the first day of the following September. They may add such sum above the sum so authorized, not exceeding 2% of said sum, as a fractional division renders convenient and certify that fact in the record of said apportionment, and issue their warrant to the assessors requiring them forthwith to assess the sum apportioned to their town or place, and to commit their assessment to the constable or collector for collection, and the county treasurer shall immediately certify the millage rate to the State Tax Assessor.'

Effective September 21, 1963

Chapter 345

AN ACT Relating to Apportionment to Municipalities of Tax on Telephone and Telegraph Companies.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 16, § 125, amended. Section 125 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 410 of the public laws of 1955, is further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 125. Returns of corporations or persons operating telephone or telegraph lines. Every corporation, association or person operating in whole or in part a telephone or telegraph line for toll or other compensation within the State shall annually, on or before May 15th, return to the Treasurer of State signed by the treasurer, elerk or secretary of the corporation, the amount of the capital stock of the corporation, the number and par value of the shares and a complete list of its shareholders resident within the State, with their places DEPT. OF ECONOMIC DEVELOP. ADVISORY COUNCIL

of residence and the number of shares belonging to each on the 1st day of April; if the line is operated by an association or person, the owner or owners or the members of the association, or one of them, shall annually make a return to the Treasurer of State, on or before May 15th of the names and residences of the owner or owners, or members of an association, and the relative interest each owner has in the line so operated, or that each member has in any such association on the 1st day of April; provided that any corporation may include in its return a statement of the whole amount of its capital stock owned in the State and if no apportionment or payment is required to be made by the State to the several eities and towns under the provisions of section 127, it may exclude from its return the list of its shareholders resident within the State and the number of shares belonging to each. Such corporation, association or person shall also annually, between the first and 15th days of April, return to the State Tax Assessor, signed by its treasurer or its chief accounting officer if a corporation, or by the owner or owners, or by the members of an association or one of them, if a person or association, a statement of the total gross operating revenues of such corporation, association or person from its or his operations within this State during the preceding year ending December 31st.

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 16, § 127, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 127 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'There shall be apportioned and paid by the Treasurer of State to the several municipalities all receipts in excess of the amounts noted in the next sentence collected under this section, based on the number of inhabitants in each municipality according to the latest Federal Census. The first apportionment under this section shall be made on or before December 1, 1963 with respect to telephone and telegraph taxes in excess of \$3,020,000 required to be paid on June 1, 1963; and such apportionments thereafter shall be made on or before December 1st annually with respect to telephone and telegraph taxes in excess of \$3,300,000 required to be paid on the preceding June 1st. Apportionments of less than \$1 under this section shall accrue to the State, and no payment of less than \$1 shall be made to any municipality.'

Effective September 21, 1963

Chapter 346

AN ACT Relating to the Department of Economic Development Advisory Council.

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

R. S., c. 38-A, §§ 7 and 8, repealed and replaced. Sections 7 and 8 of chapter 38-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 471 of the public laws of 1955, are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof: