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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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'A Commissioner of Agriculture, hereinafter in this Title called the "commissioner," shall be ~~elected by the Legislature by joint ballot of the Senators and Representatives in convention and shall hold his office for the term of 4 years~~ appointed by the Governor to serve at his pleasure and until his successor is ~~elected~~ appointed and qualified.'

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 7, § 1, amended. The last sentence of section 1 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Any vacancy in the office of commissioner shall be filled by the Governor by appointment for a like term.'

Sec. 3. Legislative intent. It is the intent of the Legislature that this Act shall in no way affect the tenure of office of the present Commissioner of Agriculture.

Effective September 3, 1965

Chapter 254

AN ACT Authorizing Public Utilities Commission to Revoke Dormant Truck Permits.

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

R. S., T. 35, § 1557, sub-§ 4, amended. The 2nd sentence of subsection 4 of section 1557 of Title 35 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following sentences enacted in place thereof:

'The commission shall have no power to refuse to renew any existing permit or certificate or to cancel or suspend any such permit or certificate whenever issued except for willful or continued violations of this chapter and chapter 95, or the rules and regulations of the commission thereunder, or where the holder has for a period of one year ceased to conduct operations authorized by such certificate or permit and where upon complaint or the commission's own initiative, it is shown that such cessation of service constitutes an end of the operation to be conducted thereunder, provided that the commission shall not refuse to renew, or cancel or suspend certificates or permits issued as a matter of right until such certificates or permits have been clarified in accordance with statutory provisions therefor. The commission shall not cancel, suspend or refuse to renew a certificate or permit until after public hearing on the matter, at least 10 day's notice of which shall be given to the holder and to such other parties as the commission shall deem proper.'

Effective September 3, 1965

Chapter 255

AN ACT Repealing Compensation Limitation in Actions for Injuries Causing Death.

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

R. S., T. 18, § 2552, amended. The last sentence of section 2552 of Title 18 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'The jury may give such damages as they shall deem a fair and just compensation ~~not exceeding \$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 3, 1965

Chapter 256

AN ACT Relating to Fees of Clerks of the Judicial Courts.

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

R. S., T. 4, § 555, amended. Section 555 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end, a new paragraph, as follows:

'For every recording, copy, certificate or seal, other than before-mentioned and excepting those designated to be without charge, \$1.'

Effective September 3, 1965

Chapter 257

AN ACT Relating to Exemption from Sales Tax of Boats Sold to Nonresidents.

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

R. S., T. 36, § 1760, sub-§ 25, amended. Subsection 25 of section 1760 of Title 36 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'25. Boats sold to nonresidents. Sales to nonresidents of yachts and other pleasure boats and commercial vessels and boats either delivered outside the State or actually registered for numbering, enrolled or documented under federal or foreign law in the appropriate customhouses or registry offices for location thereof or home ports therefor outside the State and delivered in the State to be sailed or transported outside the State immediately upon delivery by the seller; and sales to nonresidents, under contracts for the construction of any such craft to be so delivered, of materials to be incorporated therein.'

Effective September 3, 1965

Chapter 258

AN ACT Increasing Certain Fees to Town Clerks.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 2352, sub-§ 1, ¶¶ F, G, H, I, K, L, amended. Paragraphs F, G, H, I, K and L of subsection 1 of section 2352 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes are amended to read as follows: