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'Hearing shall be held by the commissioner or such subordinate officer of the department as the commissioner may designate, at a time and place selected by the commissioner. Notice of the hearing to be held, the time and place thereof, shall be published once a week for 2 successive weeks prior to the hearing in the state newspaper and said notice shall be sent by registered mail to the owner or owners of such dam or artificial obstruction, if same shall be known or determined by the records of the municipality in which the dam or obstruction is located.

Effective September 3, 1965

Chapter 387

AN ACT to Extend Retirement Benefits to Wives of State Police Members Retired Under Noncontributory Statute.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 25, § 1595, additional. Title 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 1595, to read as follows:

'§ 1595. Retirement benefits to wives extended

A surviving widow shall be paid $\frac{1}{2}$ of the amount that any member of the State Police, including the Chief of the State Police, is receiving either as a pension or a disability retirement allowance under this chapter, and said payments shall continue for the remainder of her lifetime or until she should remarry. Payments to the member shall cease as of the day of his death and shall begin to his widow on the following day.

This section shall apply to a surviving widow of any member of the State Police who at the time of his death had been eligible to or receiving a pension or a disability retirement allowance under this chapter.'

Sec. 2. Effective date. Payment of the widow's benefit shall not be retroactive but shall begin as of the effective date of this Act.

Effective September 3, 1965

Chapter 388

AN ACT Providing for Access Roads to Public Industrial Development Areas.

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

Sec. r. R. S., T. 23, § 703, amended. The first sentence of section 703 of Title 23 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Whenever the municipal officers of one or more municipalities, or the county commissioners if they are acting in the capacity of municipal officers, and the owner or owners of a ski area open to the general public or the owner or owners of a public industrial development area jointly deem it necessary that a road be constructed in the municipality or unorganized township represented by the municipal officers or county commissioners, they may jointly petition the commission for the construction of such a road.' 504 CHAP, 389

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 23, § 703, sub-§§ 2, 4 and 5, amended. Subsections 2, 4 and 5 of section 703 of Title 23 of the Revised Statutes are amended to read as follows:

'2. Cost. The cost of construction shall be paid 50% from the General Highway Fund, 25% from the municipality and county if the road is located in whole or in part in unorganized township or townships, and 25% from the owner or owners of the ski area involved or the owner or owners of the industrial development area involved. Construction shall not be authorized by the commission until the owner of the ski area or industrial development area involved gives a bond to the State, approved by the commission, to guarantee the payment of the ski owner's or industrial development owner's proportionate share and the municipality or county involved advises the commission that its share of funds is available for construction of the access road.

4. Limitation. No more than 2 miles of access road shall be constructed under this section to serve any one ski area or industrial development area.

5. Prerequisite. Before the commission shall authorize the construction of the road the commission shall determine that there has been expended in developing the facilities of the ski area or industrial development area a minimum of \$100,000 or that there are funds in the amount of at least \$100,000 available to be expended in developing the facilities of the ski area or industrial development area within a time to be established by the commission.'

Effective September 3, 1965

Chapter 389

AN ACT Relating to Halfway House Program at Reformatory for Women.

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

R. S., T. 34, § 863, additional. Title 34 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 863 to read as follows:

'§ 863. Halfway house-school tuition

The department (of Mental Health and Corrections) is authorized to establish a Halfway House Program, so-called, to be operated on the property of the Reformatory for Women, in or near Skowhegan, or in other municipalities within the State, said program to provide an environment of community living controlled pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the superintendent. Inmates of said reformatory and females sentenced to the Maine State Prison may be paroled to participate in said Halfway House Program in accordance with applicable provisions of chapter 121. Children transferred to said reformatory as incorrigible from the Stevens Training Center may be placed on entrustment in said program in accordance with Title 15, section 2716.

Upon recommendation of said superintendent, a participant in the Halfway House Program shall be granted entrance into a public school within the Skowhegan administrative unit, subject to Title 20, section 859. Tuition shall be paid to the Skowhegan administrative unit by said superintendent from the appropriation to said reformatory. The amount of tuition to be paid for a participant attending a public school other than a secondary school, as well as the amount of tuition to be paid for a participant attending a secondary school shall not exceed