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R. S., T. 12, § 2356, amended. Section 2356 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding after the 2nd paragraph a new paragraph, to read as follows:

It shall be unlawful to hunt wild hares or rabbits in the Counties of Hancock, Knox, Sagadahoc and Waldo with dogs during the open season on deer.

Effective October 1, 1969

Chapter 113

AN ACT Regarding Unsealed Instruments.

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

R. S., T. 1, § 72, sub-§ 26-A, additional. Section 72 of Title 1 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 513 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended by adding a new subsection 26-A, to read as follows:

26-A. Unsealed instruments, when given effect of sealed instruments in any written instrument. A recital that such instrument is sealed by or bears the seal of the person signing the same or is given under the hand and seal of the person signing the same, or that such instrument is intended to take effect as a sealed instrument, shall be sufficient to give such instrument the legal effect of a sealed instrument without the addition of any seal of wax, paper or other substance or any semblance of a seal by scroll, impression or otherwise; but the foregoing shall not apply in any case where the seal of a court, public office or public officer is expressly required by the Constitution, by statute or by rule of the court to be affixed to a paper, nor shall it apply in the case of certificates of stock of corporations. The word "person" as used in this subsection shall include a corporation, association, trust or partnership.

Effective October 1, 1969

Chapter 114

AN ACT Relating to Time of Filing Political Nominations for Town Office.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 2060, sub-§ 4, ¶ A, amended. Paragraph A of subsection 4 of section 2060 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

A. A town may determine at a meeting held at least ~~30~~ 60 days before the annual meeting whether 3, 5 or 7 shall be elected to each board and their terms of office.

(1) Once the determination has been made, it shall stand until revoked at a meeting held at least ~~30~~ 60 days before the annual meeting.

(2) If a town fails to fix the number, 3 shall be elected. If a town fails to fix the term, it shall be for one year.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, § 2060, sub-§ 5, ¶ A, amended. Paragraph A of subsection 5 of section 2060 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

A. A town may determine at a meeting of its legislative body held at least ~~30~~ 60 days before the annual meeting whether a single assessor, or a board of 3, 5 or 7, shall be elected and the term of office of the assessor or assessors. In towns where the legislative body is the town meeting, the determination shall be effective only if the total number of votes cast for and against the determination equals or exceeds 10% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in the town at the next previous gubernatorial election.

(1) Once a determination has been made, it shall stand until revoked at a meeting held at least ~~30~~ 60 days before the annual meeting.

(2) If a town fails to fix the number, 3 shall be elected. If a town fails to fix the term, it shall be for one year.

(3) When a town has chosen a single assessor under paragraph A, the selectmen shall appoint the assessor for a term not exceeding 5 years.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 30, § 2060, sub-§ 6, ¶ A, amended. Paragraph A of subsection 6 of section 2060 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

A. Any town choosing a single assessor may adopt a board of assessment review at a meeting of its legislative body held at least ~~30~~ 60 days before the annual meeting.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 30, § 2061, amended. The first 2 paragraphs of section 2061 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes are amended to read as follows:

When any town accepts this section at a meeting held at least ~~30~~ 60 days before the annual meeting, the following provisions apply to the election of all town officials required by section 2055 to be elected by ballot, except the moderator, who shall be elected as provided in section 2054, subsection 2.

The provisions of this section relating to nomination of town officials by political caucus shall apply only when any town accepts such provisions at a meeting held at least ~~30~~ 60 days before the annual meeting. If any town accepts such provisions, they shall remain effective until the town shall vote otherwise.

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 30, § 2061, sub-§ 1, ¶ A, amended. Paragraph A of subsection 1 of section 2061 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

A. No change may be made thereafter in the designation, number or terms of town officials, except at a meeting held at least ~~30~~ 60 days before the annual meeting.

Sec. 6. R. S., T. 30, § 2061, sub-§ 3, ¶ B, amended. The 3rd sentence of paragraph B of subsection 3 of section 2061 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

They shall be filed with the clerk during business hours on or before the ~~14th~~ 21st day next prior to the day of election.

Sec. 7. R. S., T. 30, § 2062, amended. The first paragraph of section 2062 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

When any town which has accepted section 2061 accepts this section at a meeting held at least ~~30~~ 60 days before the annual meeting, absentee ballots may be cast at all regular elections of town officials, including town meeting members where the representative town meeting form of government is used. Section 2061 and this section may be accepted at the same meeting.

Effective October 1, 1969

Chapter 115

AN ACT Relating to Wild Animals in Captivity.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 1904, sub-§ 2, amended. Subsection 2 of section 1904 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 209 of the public laws of 1967, is further amended by adding after the 2nd paragraph, a new paragraph, as follows:

The holder of such a permit may purchase, sell and transport any wild animals kept by virtue of this section.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 1904, sub-§ 3, additional. Section 1904 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is amended by adding a new subsection 3, to read as follows:

3. Live moose and caribou. The holder of a "roadside menagerie" permit granted by the commissioner may, in compliance with such rules and regulations as the commissioner may prescribe, import live moose and caribou for keeping in captivity in his "roadside menagerie" after having received written permission from the commissioner. Such holder may transport such moose and caribou from place to place for display purposes.

The commissioner may take moose and caribou into captivity and sell the same to holders of a "roadside menagerie" permit.

Holders of a "roadside menagerie" permit may be issued breeder's permits for