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The commissioner shall upon request from any elevator company doing business in this State issue to any employee designated by the requesting company a certificate of authority as an authorized elevator inspector, provided each such inspector before receiving his certificate of authority shall satisfactorily pass the examination provided for in section 434.

An authorized inspector appointed under this section shall receive no salary from the State and have no expenses paid by the State and continuance of such authorized inspector's certificate of authority shall be conditioned upon his continuing in employment as an elevator inspector by such insurance company, or in employment by such elevator company, as the case may be and upon his maintenance of the standards imposed by this subchapter.

Such authorized inspectors shall may inspect all elevators insured or maintained by their respective companies, and the owners or users of such elevators shall be exempt from the payment of the fees for the periodic inspections provided in section 464.

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Chapter 15

AN ACT to Clarify the Laws of the Department of Veterans Services.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 37, § 1, amended. The last sentence of section 1 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

All employees of the department, with the exception of the clerical and other than full time, permanent personnel, shall be war veterans.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 37, § 3, sub-§ 5, amended. Subsection 5 of section 3 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 6 of chapter 67 of the public laws of 1967, is further amended to read as follows:

5. Records. Establish and maintain a permanent record of all members of the armed services from Maine who served in World War II, the Korean Campaign and, the Viet Nam War and any period intervening since December 7, 1941.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 37, § 24, amended. The last 2 sentences of section 24 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 422 of the public laws of 1965, are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

All boxes used for burial shall be protected with permanent vaults. Stones and vaults shall not be at state expense.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 37, § 25, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 25 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 422 of the public laws of 1965 and as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

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Eligible dependents are: The wife, husband, surviving spouse, unmarried minor child or unmarried adult child who became incapable of self-support before reaching the age of 18 because of mental or physical defects.

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 37, § 105, amended. The last sentence of section 105 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

In determining the amount of aid the department shall compile and use budgetary standards that reasonably reflect current costs of average standards of living.

Sec. 6. R. S., T. 37, § 154, amended. The last sentence of section 154 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes is repealed as follows:

Said proof shall contain a certificate from the Adjutant General of the State to the effect that such person was an honorably discharged soldier or sailor or the widow of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor.

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Chapter 16

AN ACT Relating to Witnesses in Workmen's Compensation Hearings.

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

R. S., T. 39, § 93, sub-§ 4, additional. Section 93 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 386 of the public laws of 1969, is further amended by adding a new subsection 4, to read as follows:

4. Witnesses. Upon agreement of the parties, a witness may be heard by a commissioner other than the one to whom the matter was originally referred and a transcript of his testimony shall be furnished the original commissioner. Such testimony shall have the same force and effect as if taken by deposition or if heard by the original commissioner.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 17

AN ACT to Clarify and Revise the Maine State Retirement Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 5, § 1001, sub-§§ 2-A and 10-A, additional. Section 1001 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding 2 new subsections to read as follows: