

### ACTS AND RESOLVES

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# PUBLIC LAWS OF THE STATE OF MAINE AS PASSED BY THE One Hundred and Fifth Legislature

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#### Chapter 94

#### AN ACT Revising Probate Rules and Blanks.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 4, § 351, amended. The 2nd sentence of the first paragraph of section 351 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The blanks for use in said courts approved by the Supreme Judicial Court September 30, 1916, February 16, 1932, January 26, 1956 and January 21, 1960, and as thereafter revised and approved, shall be used in all courts of probate and insolvency, and no other blanks shall be used therein.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 4, § 351, amended. The last 4 sentences of the first paragraph and all of the 2nd paragraph of section 351 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The judges of probate may make new rules and blanks or amendments to existing rules and blanks, or discontinue the use of blanks as changes in statutes or convenience requires. Such new rules and blanks, or amended rules and blanks, when submitted to the Supreme Judicial Court, by a majority of the judges of probate, and when approved by the Supreme Judicial Court or a majority of the justices thereof, shall take effect and be in force in all courts of probate and insolvency, and no other blanks shall be used therein.

A majority of the judges of probate may designate a judge of probate who shall have the approved changes in rules and blanks printed and the expense thereof shall be paid from any appropriation made therefor.

Effective September 23, 1971

#### Chapter 95

#### AN ACT Relating to Arson.

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

**R. S., T. 17, § 163, amended.** Section 163 of Title 17 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 410 of the public laws of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

#### § 163. Third degree

Any person who willfully and maliciously (1) sets fire to (2) burns (3) causes to be burned or (4) aids, counsels or procures the burning of any personal or real property of whatsoever class or character, and the property of another person, not included or described in section 161 or 162, shall be

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guilty of arson in the third degree and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$2,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 3 years, or by both.

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#### **Chapter 96**

## AN ACT Relating to Payments by the State for Damage by Dogs and Wild Animals.

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

**R. S., T. 7, § 3652, amended.** Section 3652 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by sections 1 and 2 of chapter 137 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read as follows:

Payment by the State under this section shall not exceed \$300 for grade cattle and horses or \$500 for registered cattle and horses. Payment shall not exceed \$30 for grade sheep, goats or swine, or \$100 for registered sheep, goats or swine.

Effective September 23, 1971

#### Chapter 97

#### AN ACT to Clarify Certain Forestry Laws.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 4, § 163, sub-§ 1, amended. The first sentence of subsection 1 of section 163 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

All Except as otherwise provided by law, all fines, bail forfeitures and fees collected in the District Court of any division shall be paid to a clerk thereof, who shall deposit them in a special account within 72 hours of their receipt.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 4, § 173, sub-§ 1, amended. The last paragraph of subsection 1 of section 173 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof: