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commissioners specially appointed to take testimony or special commissioners on disputed claims appointed by probate courts, \$5, or before the county commissioners, \$5 for each day's attendance and 8¢ a mile for each mile's travel going and returning home.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 16, § 252, amended. Section 252 of Title 16 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§ 252. Fees of police officer or constable

No police officer or constable paid a salary or paid upon a per diem basis by a municipality shall receive any fee as a complainant or witness, or for making an arrest or for attendance at court, **while on duty and being compensated therefor**, but shall be reimbursed by such municipality for his actual costs of arrest and actual expenses of travel and attendance. Whenever any fines or penalties are imposed by any court in any proceeding in which such a police officer or constable is a complainant or a witness, said court may tax costs for such complainant or witness in the usual manner to be paid by the county treasurer upon approval of the county commissioners to the municipality employing such police officer or constable. **All municipal police officers appearing at the order of a prosecuting official before the Superior Court or Grand Jury, whether or not called upon to give testimony, at times other than their regular working hours shall be compensated on an hourly basis equal to their present rate of employment.**

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 262

AN ACT Relating to Weight Tolerance for Vehicles Loaded with Road Salt.

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

R. S., T. 29, § 1655, amended. The first sentence of section 1655 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

The operation on the highways of any vehicle loaded entirely with firewood, sawed lumber, dimension lumber, pulpwood, wood chips, logs, soils, unconsolidated rock materials or bolts or loaded entirely with farm produce or loaded entirely with road salt or loaded with manufacturers' concrete products or building materials which absorb moisture during delivery originating and terminating within the State or dump trucks, tractor dump trucks or transit-mix concrete trucks carrying highway construction materials or the operation on the highways of any vehicle loaded with any products requiring refrigeration, whether by ice or mechanical equipment, or the operation on the highways of any vehicle loaded with raw ore from mine or quarry to place of processing, shall not be deemed to be in violation of any of the provisions of sections 246, 1652 to 1654 and 1656 relating to weights of vehicles, weights of loads, tonnages or overloads if the gross weight of such vehicle and its load does not exceed 110% of the maximum gross weight for which such vehicle is then registered nor 110% of the maximum gross weight permitted for such vehicle by section 1652, and if the weight thereof imparted to any road surface by an axle or axles does not exceed 110% of the maximum axle weight per-

mitted therefor by section 1652; provided that no vehicle loaded as aforesaid shall be deemed in violation of the above said sections if, as to each axle, the weight imparted to any road surface is not greater than the combined total of 600 pounds per inch width tire, manufacturer's rating, of all tires attached to such axle and provided further that the maximum gross vehicle weight shall not exceed the limits and tolerances established in this Title.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 263

AN ACT Relating to Political Designations on Nomination Petitions.

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

R. S., T. 21, § 491, sub-§ 1, amended. Subsection 1 of section 491 of Title 21 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

1. **Political designation restricted.** A person who seeks nomination by petition may not use as his political designation the name or combination thereof of a political party which is entitled to nominate candidates by primary election.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 264

AN ACT Relating to Transcript in Hearings in Cases Where a Person is Acquitted of Murder by Reason of Mental Disease.

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

R. S., T. 15, § 454, amended. The first sentence of section 454 of Title 15 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Whenever any person is convicted of murder, or acquitted of murder by reason of mental disease or defect, a copy of the indictment, plea, evidence and charge of the presiding justice, certified by the Official Court Reporter, shall be filed with the clerk of the court where such trial is held, and the expense thereof shall be paid by the county.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 265

AN ACT to Correct Inconsistencies in the Town Election Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 2061, sub-§ 3, ¶ C, amended. The first sentence of paragraph C of subsection 3 of section 2061 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows: