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ACTS, RESOLVES AND CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTIONS

AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety ; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 416, additional. Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 416, to read as follows:

§ 416. Food stamp or donated food program

The county commissioners of any county may provide for a food stamp or donated food program in conformity with regulations promulgated by the United States Department of Agriculture and the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare and may expend county funds to operate and administer such a program.

Sec. 2. Funding. During the year 1972 counties may utilize funds from their contingent accounts, not exceeding 50% of the total available in such accounts, or \$20,000 which ever is less, to fund food programs. Counties with funds appropriated for donated foods may transfer those funds to a food stamp account and counties with funds appropriated for food stamps may transfer those funds to a donated food account, and utilize those funds for purposes of operating a food program. Counties may use, if available, a combination of both donated food money or food stamp money and contingent account moneys for such funding.

This legislation shall complement chapter 463 of the public laws of 1971 which enables the Department of Health and Welfare to administer a food stamp program if paid for by the Federal Government or by counties in the State of Maine. Action by any counties in adopting and funding a food stamp program in the year 1971 is validated.

For the year 1973 and thereafter counties desiring food stamp or donated food programs may fund the programs by including any necessary amounts in their budget.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective February 9, 1972

CHAPTER 572

AN ACT Relating to Penalty for Dogs Killing or Wounding Wild Animals.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 7, § 3602, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 3602 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 2 of chapter 404 of the public laws of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

The owner or keeper of any dog hunting, chasing ~~killing, wounding~~ or pursuing any moose, caribou or deer at any time or any other wild animal in closed season shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100. **The owner or keeper of any dog killing or wounding any moose, caribou or deer at any time or any other wild animal in closed season shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$200 nor more than \$1,000, which fine shall not be suspended, and an additional penalty of not more than 30 days in jail, at the discretion of the court.**

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 7, § 3602, amended. Section 3602 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 404 of the public laws of 1967, is further amended by adding after the 2nd paragraph a new paragraph to read as follows:

The owner or keeper of any bird dog, retrieving dog or hound found killing or wounding any deer or moose during the period in which it is lawful to train dogs as provided for in sections 3551 and 3553, while said dog is at a licensed dog training area, or at a licensed trial for retrieving dogs, shall be subject to the penalties as provided in Title 12, section 3060.

Effective June 9, 1972

CHAPTER 573

AN ACT Relating to Costs of Inspections by the Passenger Tramway Safety Board.

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

R. S., T. 25, § 1947, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 1947 of Title 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The board shall not charge in excess of ~~\$5 an hour~~ **the hourly rate charged the board by the inspector** for the services of its personnel in making such inspections and shall not be entitled to any reimbursement for the travelling time or expenses of such personnel.

Effective June 9, 1972

CHAPTER 574

AN ACT Relating to Transit Districts.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, there is a possibility that public mass transportation in the greater Portland area will terminate on June 30, 1972; and