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tion of any material, information or reports from the records of such Secretary of the Senate.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 3, § 42, amended. Section 42 of Title 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read as follows:

All fees, charges, emoluments and other receipts of whatever nature, which may be payable to the Clerk of the House of Representatives, the Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives, or any employee thereof, excepting their lawful salaries and expenses properly payable to them, shall be credited to the General Fund and no Clerk of the House of Representatives, Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives or employee shall directly or indirectly receive a private benefit or gain from the sale or distribution of any material, information or reports from the records of such Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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

Effective February 9, 1973

CHAPTER 4

AN ACT to Correct an Error in the Reorganization of the Department of Civil Defense and Public Safety.

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

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally important and necessary to protect the welfare of people who are given a mission of saving lives and protecting property; and

Whereas, for the protection of the State of Maine against damages in time of emergencies; and

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. 37-A, § 72, additional. Title 37-A of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 72 to read as follows:

§ 72. Compensation for injuries received in line of duty

All members of the civil defense forces shall be deemed to be employees of the State when engaged in training for or on civil defense duty, and shall have all the rights given to state employees under the Workmen's Compensation Act. All claims shall be filed and prosecuted and determined in accordance with the procedure set forth in the Workmen's Compensation Act.

In computing the average weekly wage of any claimant under this section, the average weekly wage shall be taken to be the earning capacity of the injured in the occupation in which he is regularly engaged.

Any sums payable under any Act of Congress or other federal program as compensation for death, disability or injury of civil defense workers shall be considered with the determination and settlement of any claim brought under this section. When payments received from the United States are less than an injured member would have been entitled to receive under this section, then he shall be entitled to receive all the benefits to which he would have been entitled under this section, less the benefits actually received from the United States.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall be retroactive to July 1, 1972.

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

Effective February 9, 1973

CHAPTER 5

AN ACT Repealing the Law Providing for the Fingerprinting of School Children.

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

R. S., T. 25, § 1548, repealed. Section 1548 of Title 25 of the Revised Statutes is repealed.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 6

AN ACT Relating to Collection of the Blueberry Tax.

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

R. S., T. 36, § 4310, amended. The second sentence of section 4310 of Title 36 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Whenever any processor or shipper shall fail to pay any tax due under this chapter, within the time limited, the Attorney General shall enforce payment of such tax by civil action against such processor or shipper for the amount