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ACTS, RESOLVES AND CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTIONS

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Sixth Legislature

OF THE

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Whoever violates any provisions of this chapter or rules and regulations of the County Records Board promulgated under section 348 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, §§ 351 and 352, repealed. Sections 351 and 352 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, are repealed.

Effective October 3, 1973

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## CHAPTER 290

### AN ACT to Authorize Municipalities to Shut Down All or Parts of a Natural Gas System in Time of Emergency.

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

R. S., T. 30, § 3555, additional. Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 3555 to read as follows:

#### § 3555. Natural gas systems

1. Order. Municipalities which have natural gas distribution systems may, to protect the health and safety of the public, without hearing, order the gas company or natural gas pipeline company which distributes natural gas to shut down all or part of that system in times of any emergency and to prescribe criminal penalties for violation of the order. The procedure to be followed in ordering said shutdown shall be set by ordinance.

2. Refusal. If the distributing utility refuses to carry out the order given under authority of subsection 1, then the municipal officers may take appropriate action to insure that said system or part thereof is shut down.

Effective October 3, 1973

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## CHAPTER 291

### AN ACT to Increase Fees for Motor Vehicle Inspection.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, § 2011, amended. The 10th paragraph of section 2011 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 113 of the public laws of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding section 2125, the fee for such inspection shall be ~~\$2~~ \$4.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, § 2122, amended. The last sentence of the 3rd paragraph of section 2122 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The ~~\$1~~ \$2 fee as required by law for semiannual inspection shall not apply in such case.

**Sec. 3. R. S., T. 29, § 2124, amended.** The 2nd sentence and the last sentence of the last paragraph of section 2124 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes are amended to read as follows:

These shall be furnished by the office of the Chief of the State Police at ~~40¢~~ 20¢ each.

~~If the license is not renewed at~~ At the end of the calendar year, or if the station license is suspended, any unused or expired stickers shall, within 30 days, be returned to the Chief of the State Police and the purchase price refunded, ~~except that refunds shall not be made for an amount less than \$1.~~

**Sec. 4. R. S., T. 29, § 2125, amended.** Section 2125 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 9 of chapter 248 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

#### § 2125. Fees

The operator of any official inspection station, or his agent, shall conduct the inspection of motor vehicles presented to him for that purpose in accordance with section 2122 and with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Chief of the State Police, for which he shall receive a fee of ~~\$1~~ \$2 for each ~~car~~ vehicle inspected, this sum not to include labor or material used in correction of faults in equipment.

Effective October 3, 1973

## CHAPTER 292

### AN ACT Relating to License Fees and Penalties for Nonresidents in the Private Detective Business.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 32, § 3804, amended.** The last paragraph of section 3804 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 582 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Whoever violates any provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$200 nor more than \$1,000, or by imprisonment for not more than ~~one year~~ 11 months, or by both.

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 32, § 3807, sub-§ 2, amended.** The first paragraph of subsection 2 of section 3807 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 582 of the public laws of 1971, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The fee for an original license for a nonresident to engage in the private detective business shall be \$100 and to engage in the watch, guard or patrol