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CHAPTER 541

AN ACT Authorizing the Commissioner of Agriculture to Investigate Certain Farming Practices.

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

R. S., T. 7, § 17, additional. Title 7 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 17 to read as follows:

§ 17. Investigation authorized

In addition to duties expressly authorized in this Title, the commissioner may, upon complaint or for other reasonable cause investigate any farm operation, method or practice with respect to animal waste within the watersheds of bodies of water as designated in the Department of Environmental Protection's report known as the "State Continuing Planning Process" pursuant to Title III, section 303 (e) or the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, Amendments of 1972 in order to determine whether such operation, method or practice may have an adverse effect.

When in the opinion of the commissioner such adverse effects are evident, he shall bring such fact to the attention of the appropriate individuals and agencies empowered to restrain such practices and equipped to provide assistance which may bring about necessary improvements in the operation, method or practice cited. The cost of such investigation shall be borne by the State.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 542

AN ACT Relating to Service Retirement Benefits under State Retirement System.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 5, § 1095, amended. The first sentence of section 1095 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by chapter 39 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Each member shall make a contribution ~~in such an amount as the board of trustees, upon recommendation by the actuary, shall determine, provided said amount is not less than 5%~~ of 6.5% of earnable compensation.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 5, § 1095, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 1095 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 482 of the public laws of 1971, is repealed.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 5, § 1095, amended. The next to the last paragraph of section 1095 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 4-A of chapter 415 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows: