

nally appoint a superintendent of the state prison, who shall be ex officio superintendent of the house of correction, and a superintendent of the Vermont industrial school, who shall hold their respective offices for two years from and including the first day of February of the year of their appointment, and until their successors are appointed. A superintendent may be removed at any time by said director. Said director may fill a vacancy in such office for the unexpired term.

Sec. 7. Section 7159 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 7159. Each superintendent shall appoint all necessary assistants, servants and guards for his institution. The superintendent of the state prison shall appoint a keeper, who shall be deputy superintendent of the house of correction, and for whose official acts and neglect his successors are appointed, also a matron and teacher. The superintendent of the state prison shall appoint and remove at pleasure a chaplain and physician, who shall also be the chaplain and physician of the house of correction.

Sec. 8. Section 7161 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 7161. The superintendent of the house of correction may, in his discretion, and at the expense of the state, furnish convicts discharged therefrom, with railroad tickets to their homes. Such tickets shall be delivered to the conductor of the train, who shall, at the end of his route, deliver the unused portion thereof, if any, to the discharged person.

Sec. 9. Section 7257 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 7257. Whenever a person is convicted of a crime in Vermont, and may be punished by imprisonment in the house of correction, and a sentence of imprisonment, either primary or alternative, is imposed, if the minimum term of the sentence as imposed does not exceed three months, the sentence shall be that the respondent be confined at hard labor for the term of the sentence in the county jail of the county where the offense was committed. Such person shall be employed under the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 10. Section 7265 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 7265. The keeper of the jail to which the prisoner is removed under the provisions of the second preceding section shall have the same duties and liabilities as to the prisoner so removed, as in the case of a prisoner originally committed to such jail under the provisions of the laws of the United States; and the keepers of such jails respectively shall receive such prisoner's under like pains and penalties for neglect of duty therein as in case of prisoners committed under the authority of the state. The keeper of such jail shall not receive such prisoner unless the United States pays the keeper fifty cents a month for each prisoner during the time he is confined therein, with the fees for committing and discharging him.

Sec. 12. Form 52 of Section 7422 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Form 52. Mittimus for Commitment to House of Correction.

STATE OF VERMONT, County, ss.

To any sheriff or constable in the state,

GREETING:

Whereas in the county of by the consideration of A. D. 19. was convicted of the crime of and was thereupon, by said court, sentenced to be confined, at hard labor, in the house of correction, in Windsor, in the county of Windsor, for and during the term of not less than nor more than from the date of commitment of said to said house of correction and also to pay to the treasurer of the state of Vermont a fine of dollars, and also to pay the costs of prosecution, taxed at dollars, and to stand committed until sentence is complied with;

And it was then and there ordered by said court that in case such fine and costs are not paid on or before the expiration of such term of not less than nor more than days, then the said should be further confined at hard labor, in the house of correction, in Windsor, in the county of Windsor, for the further term of days, to be computed from and after the expiration of such term of not less than nor more than days; and said court having ascertained and determined that such fine and costs amount to the sum of dollars;

And it was then and there ordered by said court that in case such fine and costs aggregating the sum of dollars, should not be paid before the day of A. D. 19. at o'clock in the noon, then the said should be confined in the house of correction, in Windsor, in the county of Windsor, at hard labor, for the term of three times as many days as the whole number of dollars in such fine and costs, including the cost of commitment hereon, and said court having ascertained and determined that the costs of commitment hereon will be dollars and having also ascertained and determined that the aggregate of such fines and costs and costs of commitment is dollars;

Therefore, by the authority of the state of Vermont, you are hereby commanded to commit the body of the said to the superintendent of the house of correction in Windsor, in the county of Windsor, within said house of correction, who is hereby commanded to receive the said and him confine and compel at hard labor, in such house of correction for and during the term of not less than nor more than to be computed from the time of his commitment. and if such fine and costs are not paid on or before the expiration of such term of not less than nor more than months of imprisonment, the said shall further be confined, at hard labor, in such house of correction for the further term of days, to be computed from and after the expiration of such term of not less than nor more than months of imprisonment; or until his sooner discharge in accordance with law.

Fall not, but service and return make according to law.

Dated at this day of A. D. 19.

Judge or Clerk.

Sec. 13. Sections 7134, 7159, 7231, 7234 and 7233 of the General Laws are hereby repealed.

Sec. 14. When an agreement between the board of control and said commissioners respecting the adjustment of the respective rights of the state and said county in the house of correction shall have been consummated, and the conditions thereof performed, said board and said commissioners shall so notify the governor and the governor shall issue a proclamation to that effect.

Sec. 15. Sections 1, 2, 14, and 15 of this act shall take effect from their passage and the remainder of the act shall take effect when the governor shall have issued a proclamation as provided in the preceding section.

Approved April 7, 1919.

NO. 201

AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSFERS OF INMATES BETWEEN CERTAIN STATE INSTITUTIONS.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. The superintendent of the industrial school and the superintendent of the state school for feeble-minded children may, when in their judgment an inmate of their respective institutions requires treatment at the state hospital for the insane, make application to the state board of supervisors of the insane for an examination of such person. Such board shall thereupon examine such person, and if in the judgment of such board such inmate should be transferred to said state hospital, they shall so notify the governor in writing. The governor may upon receipt of such notice order such person to be transferred to the state hospital to be there cared for until discharged according to law.

Section 2. The superintendent of the state hospital for the insane, when in his judgment an inmate of the state hospital can be better cared for at the state school for feeble-minded children may in like manner make application to the state board of supervisors of the insane for an examination of such person, and if in the judgment of such board such inmate should be transferred to the state school for feeble-minded children, it shall so notify the governor in writing. The governor may upon receipt of such notice order such person to be transferred to the state school for feeble-minded children.

Section 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved March 14, 1919.

NO. 202

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7164 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO VISITATION OF STATE INSTITUTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURCHASE OF SUPPLIES FOR THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. The board of control shall annually, and as often as it deems proper, visit the state prison, house of correction, Vermont industrial school, Vermont state hospital for the insane, United States reformatory for women, state school for feeble-minded children, the soldiers' home, and any private retreat or hospital for the insane within the state, and the Austine institution, examine into the regulations and general management of each institution, and that the purpose and design thereof is carried into effect, examine the condition and treatment of prisoners and patients confined therein, inquire into all alleged abuses or neglect of duty, hear the grievances of prisoners, patients and inmates apart from officers and keepers thereof, and investigate or cause to be investigated such cases as in its judgment require special investigation, and suggest to and advise the director of state institutions or the trustees or persons in charge of or in such institution as to such changes and alterations in the management thereof as it deems proper. The governor may, in his discretion, appoint a woman, a citizen of the state, to act with said board when performing its duties under this section.

The duties of such woman shall be to examine only into the regulations and management of each institution so far as relates to the female persons therein confined. Said board shall make a biennial report to the general assembly including and including therein the names and ages of children received by the Austine institution under the provisions of chapter seventy-three, a statement of the condition and progress of such children and such recommendations in regard to the management of such institution as said board deems proper.

Section 2. The purchasing agent may request that the purchasing agent purchase its supplies or any part thereof and if such request is made the purchasing agent shall, with the approval of the board of control, make such purchases.

Approved March 18, 1919.

NO. 203

AN ACT RELATING TO CONDITIONAL PARDONS.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. The governor may, in his discretion, grant a pardon or remit against the state upon such conditions as he judges proper. Until a person to whom such conditional pardon is granted is excused from the performance of the conditions thereof, the governor shall have all the authority, rights and powers which in relation to such person which he would have if no such conditional pardon were granted, and shall be the sole and exclusive judge as to whether the conditions of such pardon have been violated. If, in the judgment of the governor, such conditions have been violated, he may cause such person to be apprehended and returned to his former condition of custody that execution of sentence may be complied with.

Section 2. This act shall be construed to be a part of chapter three hundred and seventeen of the General Laws.

Section 3. The act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved April 7, 1919.

NO. 204

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7299 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO PROBATION.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. Section 7299 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7299. A state probation officer, when directed so to do by any court in the state, before which a person is being prosecuted for a crime, shall inquire into the circumstances of the particular case, and the character and previous record of the accused, and may recommend that such person, if convicted, be placed on probation. Such court shall pass sentence on the accused, if he is convicted, and may then suspend all or part of such sentence, and place the person so convicted and sentenced in the care and custody of the state probation officer upon such conditions and for such time as it may prescribe, or until further order of court.

Approved April 4, 1919.

NO. 205

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 7314 AND 7317 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO THE DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF CHARITIES AND PROBATION WITH RESPECT TO POOR RELIEF.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. Section 7314 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7314. The overseer of the poor in each town shall report to the board of charities and probation all cases of dependent, neglected, or delinquent children, and shall annually during the month of February make statistical reports to the board on blanks furnished by it showing such financial and other data as may be required.

Section 2. Section 7317 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7317. It shall be the duty of the board to investigate the administration of poor relief and the condition of the poorhouses in the state. If any poorhouse is found deficient in the care of its inmates, or if the buildings, equipment or appliances are unsanitary, defective or improper, or if any condition surrounding the care of the poor warrants, the board shall report and recommend such changes as it deems best for the correction of such deficiency or condition to the selectmen. The board may also request the co-operation of the state board of health when necessary or advisable. If, upon investigation of the poorhouses of certain towns or of a county, it appears to the board that it will be for the benefit of the inmates of such poorhouses and will promote their welfare, the board may organize a poorhouse association under the provisions of chapter one hundred and eighty-four, then the board may call a meeting of the selectmen of such towns and present to them the facts and their recommendations. The selectmen of the several towns shall thereupon present the matter at the next town meeting for action in accordance with the provisions of such chapter.

Section 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved March 12, 1919.

NO. 206

AN ACT RELATING TO THE CARE OF DEPENDENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN COMMITTED TO THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES AND PROBATION.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. When a dependent or neglected child has been committed to a juvenile court to the board of charities and probation the board may incur such expenses for the proper care and maintenance of the child as it deems necessary, which shall be paid in equal shares by the state and town of which the child is a resident, except as herein provided unless prior to the issue of the order of commitment by the court, a notice and an opportunity for hearing has been given by the court to the board, its authorized agent or deputy, and to the overseer of the poor of the town in which the child is found. Payments shall be made under the provisions of this act in accordance with regulations prescribed by the board of charities and probation.

Section 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved March 12, 1919.

NO. 207

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE COMMITMENT OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN TO THE VERMONT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. A dependent child shall not be committed to the Vermont industrial school at Vergennes, except with the approval of the board of charities and probation. It shall be the duty of the board of charities and probation whenever possible to place out the dependent children of the state in institutions or homes for their care. Dependent children shall be brought up in the religion of their parents, or in case the parents are of different religious faiths but have agreed on bringing up their children in any particular faith, the board shall abide by that agreement.

Section 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved April 7, 1919.

NO. 208

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE IMPORTATION OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN INTO THE STATE, AND IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 310 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO DEPENDENT, NEGLECTED AND DELINQUENT CHILDREN.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. A dependent child shall not be received into a home or institution within this state, without first obtaining the approval of the board of charities and probation and a certificate therefor in accordance with the provisions of this act. The board may issue such a certificate under such regulations as it may prescribe, providing the person to whom it is issued gives to the board a sufficient guaranty, by furnishing a bond or otherwise, that such child has not a contagious or incurable disease, is not feeble-minded and will not become a ward of the state.

Section 2. Section 7333 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7333. A juvenile court or the board of charities and probation may at any time require from a private institution, association or person receiving or desiring to receive children under the provisions of this chapter, such reports, information and statements as the court or board deems proper and necessary for its action, and may visit and inspect such institution, association or the home of such person at such times as it deems proper.

Section 3. A person shall not receive a dependent child under the age of two years to board or care for and shall not engage in the business of placing children in homes, unless he has obtained a license so to do from the state board of charities and probation. The board may grant such a license and may make reasonable regulations relating to the conduct of business thereunder so far as concerns the health of the children and the sanitary and moral conditions surrounding them. The board may at any time visit premises where a dependent child or children are cared for and may require such reports from licensees relating to their business as it deems proper.

Section 4. A person who violates a provision of this act shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars.

Section 5. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved February 21, 1919.

NO. 209

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7443 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO THE SALARY OF THE AUDITOR OF ACCOUNTS.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. Section 7443 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7443. The annual salary of the auditor of accounts shall be thirty-five hundred dollars. Said auditor, his deputy, chief accountant, clerks and stenographer shall be paid their necessary expenses when away from home on official business. The combined salaries of the deputy auditor, chief accountant, clerks and stenographer shall not exceed fifty-five hundred dollars annually. Each of the persons specified in this section shall devote his entire time to the work of the auditor of accounts' office.

Section 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved April 8, 1919.

NO. 213

AN ACT TO AMEND PARAGRAPHS FIVE AND SEVEN OF SECTION 7410 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO FEES OF CONSTABLES AND SHERIFFS.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. Town clerks shall receive such salaries as the town may vote, to be paid by their respective towns each year, and an appropriate article therefor may be inserted in the warrant for each annual town meeting.

Section 2. Section 7410 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7410. A town clerk shall procure and keep a book of records for mortgages of personal property, record thereon any mortgage, transfer or discharge, and an officer's return of sale upon any mortgage, make a reference upon the margin of the record of such return to the volume and page of the record of such mortgage, and a reference upon the margin of the record of such return, when requested, on payment of his fees at the rate of twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents, and certify to the time when the same is received and recorded, and keep an alphabetical index of mortgages and mortgages; and such record and index shall be open to any mortgagee, transfer or discharge, that mortgages or deeds of trust conveying both real and personal property, shall be recorded only as real estate mortgages, but town clerks shall include in their indices of mortgages of personal property a reference to the record thereof.

Section 3. Section 2804 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2804. The officer making the sale shall, within thirty days thereafter, make a return of his doings and file the same in the town clerk's office where the mortgage is recorded, and pay the town clerk twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents for recording the same, which shall be taxed in the costs of sale. The fees of the officer for selling the property shall be the same as in case of sale on execution. The return shall particularly describe the articles sold, and state the amount received for each, and shall operate as a discharge of the lien thereon created by the mortgage.

Section 4. Section 2804 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2804. The officer making the sale shall, within thirty days thereafter, make a return of his doings and file the same in the town clerk's office where the mortgage is recorded, and pay the town clerk twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents for recording the same, which shall be taxed in the costs of sale. The fees of the officer for selling the property shall be the same as in case of sale on execution. The return shall particularly describe the articles sold, and state the amount received for each, and shall operate as a discharge of the lien thereon created by the mortgage.

Section 5. Section 2804 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2804. The officer making the sale shall, within thirty days thereafter, make a return of his doings and file the same in the town clerk's office where the mortgage is recorded, and pay the town clerk twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents for recording the same, which shall be taxed in the costs of sale. The fees of the officer for selling the property shall be the same as in case of sale on execution. The return shall particularly describe the articles sold, and state the amount received for each, and shall operate as a discharge of the lien thereon created by the mortgage.

Section 6. Section 2804 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2804. The officer making the sale shall, within thirty days thereafter, make a return of his doings and file the same in the town clerk's office where the mortgage is recorded, and pay the town clerk twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents for recording the same, which shall be taxed in the costs of sale. The fees of the officer for selling the property shall be the same as in case of sale on execution. The return shall particularly describe the articles sold, and state the amount received for each, and shall operate as a discharge of the lien thereon created by the mortgage.

Section 7. Section 2804 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2804. The officer making the sale shall, within thirty days thereafter, make a return of his doings and file the same in the town clerk's office where the mortgage is recorded, and pay the town clerk twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents for recording the same, which shall be taxed in the costs of sale. The fees of the officer for selling the property shall be the same as in case of sale on execution. The return shall particularly describe the articles sold, and state the amount received for each, and shall operate as a discharge of the lien thereon created by the mortgage.

Section 8. Section 2804 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2804. The officer making the sale shall, within thirty days thereafter, make a return of his doings and file the same in the town clerk's office where the mortgage is recorded, and pay the town clerk twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents for recording the same, which shall be taxed in the costs of sale. The fees of the officer for selling the property shall be the same as in case of sale on execution. The return shall particularly describe the articles sold, and state the amount received for each, and shall operate as a discharge of the lien thereon created by the mortgage.

Section 9. Section 2804 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2804. The officer making the sale shall, within thirty days thereafter, make a return of his doings and file the same in the town clerk's office where the mortgage is recorded, and pay the town clerk twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents for recording the same, which shall be taxed in the costs of sale. The fees of the officer for selling the property shall be the same as in case of sale on execution. The return shall particularly describe the articles sold, and state the amount received for each, and shall operate as a discharge of the lien thereon created by the mortgage.

Section 10. Section 2804 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2804. The officer making the sale shall, within thirty days thereafter, make a return of his doings and file the same in the town clerk's office where the mortgage is recorded, and pay the town clerk twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents for recording the same, which shall be taxed in the costs of sale. The fees of the officer for selling the property shall be the same as in case of sale on execution. The return shall particularly describe the articles sold, and state the amount received for each, and shall operate as a discharge of the lien thereon created by the mortgage.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. Section 7343 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7343. The annual salary of the auditor of accounts shall be thirty-five hundred dollars. Said auditor, his deputy, chief accountant, clerks and stenographer shall be paid their necessary expenses when away from home on official business. The combined salaries of the deputy auditor, chief accountant, clerks and stenographer shall not exceed fifty-five hundred dollars annually. Each of the persons specified in this section shall devote his entire time to the work of the auditor of accounts' office.

Section 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved April 3, 1919.

NO. 210

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7384 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO THE SALARY OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. Section 7384 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7384. The annual salary of the sergeant at arms shall be two thousand five hundred dollars and he shall be paid his actual and necessary expenses when away from home on official business. He may employ such clerical assistance, subject to the approval of the governor, as the duties of his office require. Said sergeant at arms shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office.

Section 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved April 7, 1919.

NO. 211

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 7394, 7397 AND 7398 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO THE FIXING OF CERTAIN SALARIES.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. Section 7354 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7354. The annual salary of the secretary of civil and military affairs shall be fixed by the board of control and he shall be paid his necessary expenses when away from home on official business.

Section 2. Section 7397 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7397. The annual salary of the chaplain of the house of correction shall be fixed by the board of control.

Section 3. Section 7398 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7398. The annual salary of the prison physician shall be fixed by the board of control.

Section 4. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved April 3, 1919.

NO. 212

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7403 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO SALARIES OF COUNTY CLERKS, INCREASING THE SALARY OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF CHITTENDEN, ORANGE AND WINDHAM COUNTIES.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. Section 7403 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7403. The annual salaries of the county clerks in the respective counties, and who shall be in lieu of all fees or other compensation, except fees for copies, shall be as follows:

Addison county, fifteen hundred dollars.
Bennington county, fifteen hundred dollars.
Caledonia county, two thousand dollars.
Chittenden county, twenty-five hundred dollars.
Essex county, seven hundred dollars.
Franklin county, two thousand dollars.
Grand Isle county, four hundred dollars.
Lamoille county, twelve hundred dollars.
Orange county, fifteen hundred dollars.
Orleans county, seventeen hundred dollars.
Rutland county, twenty-five hundred dollars.
Washington county, twenty-five hundred dollars.
Windham county, eighteen hundred dollars.
Windsor county, twenty-four hundred dollars.

The clerk of the county in which the general term of the supreme court are held shall receive ten hundred dollars in addition to the foregoing salary.

Section 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved April 8, 1919.

NO. 213

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7457 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO FEES OF KEEPERS OF JAILS, INCREASING FEE FOR BOARD AND WASHING FOR STATE PRISONERS, STATE OR TOWN PAUPERS.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. Section 7457 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7457. The fees of the keepers of jails shall be as follows:

For the commitment of each prisoner, to be paid by the committing officer, thirty-four cents.

For the discharge of each prisoner, twenty-five cents; but such fees shall not be paid if the prisoner is committed only for safe-keeping to await trial; each hapless, to be paid by the bail, twenty-five cents.

For board and washing for state prisoners, state or town paupers, seventy-five cents for each twenty-four hours.

Section 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved February 20, 1919.

NO. 219

AN ACT RELATING TO THE SALARY AND FEES OF TOWN CLERKS, INCREASING THE SALARY OF TOWN CLERKS IN TOWNS 7401, 2803, 3788, 3789, 3788, 7114 AND 7462 OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Section 1. Town clerks shall receive such salaries as the town may vote, to be paid by their respective towns each year, and an appropriate article therefor may be inserted in the warrant for each annual town meeting.

Section 2. Section 2794 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2794. A town clerk shall procure and keep a book of records for mortgages of personal property, record thereon any mortgage, transfer or discharge, and an officer's return of sale upon any mortgage, make a reference upon the margin of the record of such return to the volume and page of the record of such mortgage, and a reference upon the margin of the record of such return, when requested, on payment of his fees at the rate of twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents, and certify to the time when the same is received and recorded, and keep an alphabetical index of mortgages and mortgages; and such record and index shall be open to any mortgagee, transfer or discharge, that mortgages or deeds of trust conveying both real and personal property, shall be recorded only as real estate mortgages, but town clerks shall include in their indices of mortgages of personal property a reference to the record thereof.

Section 3. Section 2804 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2804. The officer making the sale shall, within thirty days thereafter, make a return of his doings and file the same in the town clerk's office where the mortgage is recorded, and pay the town clerk twenty cents a folio with a minimum fee of fifty cents for recording the same, which shall be taxed in the costs of sale. The fees of the officer for selling the property shall be the same as in case of sale on execution. The return shall particularly describe the articles sold, and state the amount received for each, and shall operate as a discharge of the lien thereon created by the mortgage.

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