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PUBLIC LAWS
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CHAPTER 46

AN ACT Authorizing the Public Utilities Commission to Use a Modified Procedure in Considering Certain Contract Carrier Permits.

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

35 MRSA § 1555, sub-§ 3, first and 2nd sentences are repealed and the following enacted in their places:

No application for a permit shall be granted by the commission until after a hearing, except that the commission need not require a hearing on any application if, within 15 days of giving notice as required herein, the commission receives no objection to granting the permit. No permit shall be granted if the commission finds that the proposed operation of any contract carrier will be contrary to the declaration of policy of this chapter and chapter 95, or otherwise will not be consistent with the public interest, or will impair the efficient public service of any authorized common carrier or will interfere with the use of the highways by the public. The commission shall give notice of all applications for permits, in such manner and to such persons, firms, corporations and common carriers as it deems necessary. When a hearing is required by this section or when the commission orders a hearing in its discretion, notice of the hearing shall be given to all persons, firms and corporations who seek to be parties in the proceedings at least 7 days prior to the time fixed for hearing.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 47

AN ACT Relating to Physicians' Assistants.

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

Whereas, certain regulations concerning physicians' assistants will expire on April 1, 1977; and

Whereas, it is in the public interest to have permanent rules and regulations governing physicians' assistants; and

Whereas, it is necessary to insure that physicians' assistants are properly qualified and registered; 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: