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for their testimony thereto relative to any examination performed pursuant to this section when such reports, records or testimony are provided to a district attorney, a law enforcement officer or a court for the purpose of prosecuting the alleged crime, whether or not such reports, records or testimony are provided with the written authorization of the victim so examined. This limitation on liability shall apply only in the circumstances in this subsection.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 100

AN ACT Relating to Description of Recorded Mortgages.

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

Sec. 1. 33 MRSA § 551, 1st ¶, 1st sentence, as amended by PL 1973, c. 788, § 166, is further amended to read:

A mortgage shall be discharged by a written instrument acknowledging the satisfaction thereof and signed and acknowledged by the mortgagee or by his executor, administrator or assignee ~~and such instrument, when recorded, shall have the same effect as a deed of release duly acknowledged and recorded.~~

Sec. 2. 33 MRSA § 551, 1st ¶, as amended by PL 1973, c. 788, § 166, is further amended by inserting after the first sentence the following sentences:

The instrument shall recite the name or identity of the mortgagee and mortgagor, or their successors in interest, authenticated and the record location of the mortgage discharged. The instrument, when recorded, shall have the same effect as a deed of release duly acknowledged and recorded.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 101

AN ACT to Clarify the Law as to Fraud by a Guest or Customer in a Hotel, Inn, Boarding House or Eating House.

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

Sec. 1. 30 MRSA § 2702 is repealed.

Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 2703, as amended by PL 1975, c. 295, § 2, is repealed.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 102

AN ACT Concerning the Number of Jurors Serving on Civil Trial Juries.

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

14 MRSA § 1204, last ¶, as amended by PL 1975, c. 41, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The Supreme Judicial Court may by rule provide for the trial of civil actions by juries of 6, 7 or 8 jurors; provided that the parties to a civil action may stipulate that the jury may consist of any number of jurors less than provided by such rule; and provided further that any party to a civil action shall have the right to a jury consisting of 8 jurors if such party so requests before the day of the trial.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 103

AN ACT Concerning the Purchase of School Books.

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

20 MRSA § 856, 1st ¶, last sentence is repealed as follows:

~~No secondhand books shall be purchased for the use of any school, and whoever violates this provision shall forfeit not exceeding \$500, to be recovered in a civil action by any school officer or person aggrieved~~

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 104

AN ACT Concerning Territories Included in Baxter State Park.