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conditions of any license granted the corporation by the Public Utilities Commission.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 167

AN ACT to Eliminate the Requirement That Persons Over 70 Submit to an Eye Test in Order to be Issued a Complimentary Hunting License.

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

12 MRSA § 2401-B, sub-§ 13, last sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 562, § 13, is repealed.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 168

AN ACT Reinstating the Malt Liquor License Application Filing Fee.

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

Whereas, the 107th session of the Legislature enacted Public Law 1975, chapter 741, "An Act to Revise the Statutes Concerning Alcoholic Beverages;" and

Whereas, in revising the statutory provision relating to license fees, the Legislature inadvertently omitted a provision relating to filing fees for applications for original and renewal malt liquor licenses; and

Whereas, these filing fees are necessary for the administration of malt liquor license fee applications; and

Whereas, the State has collected a large number of these fees during the current year; and

Whereas, unless the statutory authorization for the collection of these fees is immediately reinstated, the State will be liable for repayment of these needed filing fees; and

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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:

28 MRSA § 701, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 741, § 21, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph to read:

Every applicant for an original or renewal malt liquor license shall remit with his application a filing fee of \$10, except in unorganized places the filing fee of \$10 shall be paid to the county treasurer of the county in which the unincorporated place is located, and all such applications for license in unincorporated places shall be accompanied by evidence of payment of filing fee to the county treasurer.

Emergency clause; retroactivity. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved, and shall be retroactive to July 26, 1976.

Effective May 16, 1977 unless otherwise indicated

CHAPTER 169

AN ACT Concerning Cruelty to Animals.

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

17-A MRSA § 510, sub-§ 1, \P C, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 499, § 1, and as amended by PL 1977, c. 35, is further amended to read:

C. He deprives any animal which he owns or possesses of necessary sustenance, necessary medical attention, proper shelter, protection from the weather or humanely clean conditions;

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 170

AN ACT Establishing the Offense of Illegal Transportation of Alcoholic Beverages Onto or Off of the Premises of a Licensee Licensed for Onpremise Consumption.