

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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gency 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:*

29 MRSA § 242, sub-§ 1, ¶ A, 2nd ¶, 1st sentence, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 219, is amended to read:

For the purposes of registration only, a ~~privately owned pickup truck which is not used in any way in connection with a commercial enterprise~~ may be registered as provided herein for automobiles provided that at no time shall the gross weight of a pickup truck so registered exceed 6,000 pounds when used as a motor truck or truck tractor.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective June 17, 1977

## CHAPTER 330

### AN ACT Relating to Notice of Authorization to Registers of Probate.

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

24-A MRSA § 3104, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 585, § 12, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 3104. Notice of authorization to registers of probate

Whenever any surety insurer is authorized to transact business in this State, the superintendent shall maintain the name of such insurer and the names of all agents of such insurer who have been licensed by him, their places of residence and the dates when their licenses will expire, and the names and addresses of all attorneys-in-fact registered with him.

Effective October 24, 1977

## CHAPTER 331

### AN ACT Concerning Solicitation Sales of Consumer Merchandise.

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

32 MRSA §§ 4662 and 4663, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 395, are repealed and the following enacted in their places:

§ 4662. Contents of contract

Where merchandise is sold or contracted to be sold, whether under a single contract or under multiple contracts, to a consumer as a result of or in connection with a salesman's direct contact accomplished by means of and including, but not limited to, a personal visit or a telephone call upon the consumer, other than at the seller's place of business, without the consumer soliciting the initial contact, the contract shall be in writing, bear the signature of the seller and the consumer, contain the date of the transaction, the terms of the sale or offer, the name and mailing address of the seller and a statement of the consumer's right to avoid as provided in this subchapter. A completely executed copy of the contract or agreement shall be furnished by the seller to the consumer immediately after the consumer signs the agreement or contract.

§ 4663. Consumer's right of avoidance

Where merchandise is sold or contracted to be sold, whether under a single contract or under multiple contracts, to a consumer as a result of or in connection with a salesman's direct contact accomplished by means of and including, but not limited to, a personal visit or a telephone call, upon the consumer other than at the seller's place of business, without the consumer soliciting the initial contact or sale, the consumer may void the contract or sale by giving notice of his intention not to be bound by the contract or sale and returning or making available for return any merchandise delivered pursuant to the terms of this subchapter.

Effective October 24, 1977

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## CHAPTER 332

### AN ACT Concerning the Membership of the Standardization Committee.

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

5 MRSA § 1814, as last amended by PL 1969, c. 300, § 3, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 1814. Standardization Committee

A Standardization Committee, as heretofore established, shall consist of the Governor or his representative, 4 public members and 2 department or agency heads or their representatives as may be designated by the Governor. In addition, the State Purchasing Agent shall be an ex officio, nonvoting member