

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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deny, suspend or revoke any exemption claimed under this subsection, if he shall deem such action to be in the public interest. Under no circumstances shall the exemption under this subsection apply when there are more than 25 stockholders in any given business entity, regardless of the number of classes of stock offered.

Effective October 24, 1977

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## CHAPTER 475

### AN ACT Relating to Electric Companies' Fuel Charges.

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

35 MRSA § 131, sub-§ 3, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 489, § 1, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentences:

Not less than semiannually, the commission shall prepare and make public a report on any automatic fuel charges for any utility with gross annual revenues in Maine of more than \$2,500,000. Such report shall state clearly and intelligibly the basis for the fuel charges, trends in those charges, the reason for those trends, and the commission's best estimate of fuel charges for the next 6 months.

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## CHAPTER 476

### AN ACT Relating to the Powers of Plantations.

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

Whereas, federal funds are available for certain services in plantations, and may be lost with undue delay in their eligibility; and

Whereas, many services immediately necessary may have to be forgone if this bill is not immediately enacted; and

Whereas, these services are vitally necessary to the well-being of citizens that live in these plantations; and