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**Sec. 1.** 7 MRSA § 62, sub-§ 2, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 465, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

2. Premiums; licensing. A society which:

A. Pays a minimum of \$750 on premiums for 3 consecutive years for agriculture displays of the products of agriculture, exclusive of those for horse and ox pulling contests, except that any society which qualified for a stipend prior to the effective date of this paragraph shall not be required to pay premiums for 3 consecutive years;

B. Is duly licensed pursuant to section 65; and

C. Continues to pay \$750 on premiums yearly for an agriculture display of the products of agriculture exclusive of those for horse and ox pulling contests.

Sec. 2. 7 MRSA § 64, 3rd sentence is amended to read:

The total premium payments for these exhibits shall be, at least, an amount equal to the premiums or purses paid for pulling contests at this same fair and race meet, and not less than  $\frac{35\%}{25\%}$  of the amount paid for purses for harness horse races conducted during the annual fair.

Effective September 14, 1979

#### CHAPTER 125

#### H. P. 246 - L. D. 291

AN ACT Relating to Negotiations Involving State Employees under the Labor Laws.

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA § 974 is enacted to read:

§ 974. Publication of initial proposals

Either party to negotiations may publicize the parties' written initial collective bargaining proposals. No proposal may be publicized until 10 days after both parties have made their initial proposal.

Sec. 2. 26 MRSA § 979-P is enacted to read:

§ 979-P. Publication of initial proposals

Either party to negotiations may publicize the parties' written initial collective bargaining proposals. No proposal may be publicized until 10 days after both parties have made their initial proposal.

Sec. 3. 26 MRSA § 1035 is enacted to read:

§ 1035. Publication of initial proposals

Either party to negotiations may publicize the parties' written initial collective bargaining proposals. No proposals may be publicized until 10 days after both parties have made their initial proposal.

Effective September 14, 1979

#### CHAPTER 126

#### H. P. 331 – L. D. 430

### AN ACT to Limit Additional Retirement Benefits under the Maine State Retirement System.

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

**5 MRSA § 1092, sub-§ 3-A**, as amended by PL 1975, c. 770, § 22, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

Any participating local district, by filing with the board of trustees a duly certified copy of its actions, may provide an additional retirement benefit for any class of employees eligible for retirement benefits or allowances under subsections 2 or 3 or under section 1121, subsections 4, 8 and 9, of 2% of average final compensation for each year of membership service in the eligible employment served only after completion of the age and service conditions for retirement under these sections and after the effective date of the action by the participating local district.

Effective September 14, 1979

#### CHAPTER 127

S. P. 401 – L. D. 1161

AN ACT to Make Corrections of Errors and Inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine.