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CHAPTER 170

H. P. 334 — L. D. 433

AN ACT to Clarify Certain Provisions of the Banking Laws.

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

Sec. 1. 9-B MRSA § 317, sub-§ 6, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 500, § 1, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 9-B MRSA § 327, sub-§ 6, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 500, § 1, is repealed.

Sec. 3. 9-B MRSA § 532, sub-§ 2, 3rd sentence, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 500, § 1, is amended to read:

For reasonable cause, the beginning of amortization may be delayed up to 18 months from the making of an amortized loan **and the amortization period may be extended up to 18 months**; also, for reasonable cause, principal payments in designated portions of the year may be omitted.

Sec. 4. 9-B MRSA § 538, sub-§ 1, ¶ A, as amended by PL 1977, c. 152, § 6, is further amended to read:

A. Loans secured by a pledge of any share account or deposit book or certificate issued by any financial institution located in the United States, or secured by pledge of a life insurance policy or pledge of any listed securities; **and**

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CHAPTER 171

H. P. 654 — L. D. 813

AN ACT to Protect Insurance Claim Adjusters and Appraisers from Conflict of Interest.

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

24-A MRSA § 2164-B is enacted to read:

§ 2164-B. Conflicts of interest in appraisals

No person who appraises damage to a motor vehicle for an insurer may repair

that damage to that motor vehicle for compensation. For purposes of this section, a person shall be considered to have appraised damage to a motor vehicle if he appraises the damage or has a direct substantial personal financial interest in the appraisal. A person shall be considered to have repaired damage to a motor vehicle if he repairs the damage or has a direct substantial personal financial interest in the repair.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 172

H. P. 601 — L. D. 748

AN ACT Concerning Appeals to the Superior Court.

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

Sec. 1. 14 MRSA § 6008, last sentence, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

When the defendant appeals, the Superior Court Judge may stay the issuance of a writ of possession pending disposition of the appeal. The judge shall, in all appropriate cases, condition the granting and continuation of the stay on the defendant's payment of the rent for the premises into an escrow account to be administered by the clerk of the Superior Court. The appeal decision or an agreement of the parties shall provide for the disposition of the escrowed rent.

Sec. 2. 14 MRSA § 6009 is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 6009. Judgment for plaintiff; possession on recognizance; damages

When judgment is rendered for the plaintiff a writ of possession may issue in all cases if he recognizes to the defendant in the manner before provided, conditioned to pay all such damages and costs as may be awarded against him if final judgment is rendered for the defendant. When either party appeals, the plaintiff may give evidence of any claim for rent of the premises, to be set off against damages claimed by the defendant.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 173

H. P. 472 — L. D. 590

AN ACT to Define the Post of Sheriff as Full Time and to Increase the Salary of that Post.