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CHAPTER 333

H. P. 745 — L. D. 931

AN ACT to Provide for an Official Seal for the Department of Human Services.

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

22 MRSA § 1, first ¶ as last amended by PL 1975, c. 293, § 1, is further amended by adding a new sentence after the 2nd sentence to read:

The department shall have an official department seal, which shall be judicially noticed.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 334

S. P. 319 — L. D. 949

AN ACT to Allow Unions to Negotiate on Behalf of Former Employees of a Company with Which the Union is Negotiating.

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

26 MRSA § 9 is enacted to read:

§ 9. Negotiations on behalf of retired employees

Employee organizations, unions and bargaining agents in the private sector engaged in collective bargaining with employers may negotiate on behalf of retired and retired disabled former employees of the employer with respect to pensions, retirement benefits and other benefits which, as a part of wages and benefits related to employment, are, were or may be carried with retired employees into retirement.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 335

S. P. 131 — L. D. 308

AN ACT to Include Services Performed by Chiropractors under Health Insurance

Policies and Health Care Contracts which Pay Benefits for those Procedures if Performed by a Physician.

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

Sec. 1. 24 MRSA § 2303-B is enacted to read:

§ 2303-B. Optional coverage for chiropractic services

Every nonprofit hospital or medical service organization which issues group health care contracts providing coverage for the services of a "physician" or "doctor" to residents of this State shall make available to groups with 50 or more members, coverage for services performed by a chiropractor to the extent the services are within the lawful scope of practice of a chiropractor licensed to practice in this State, provided the chiropractor performing the services has contracted with the organization under terms and conditions which the organization deems satisfactory to its membership.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA § 2746 is enacted to read:

§ 2746. Optional coverage for chiropractic services

Every insurer which issues or issues for delivery in this State group health policies, which provide coverage on an expense-incurred basis for the services of a "physician" or "doctor," shall make available to groups with 50 or more members such coverage for the comparable services of a chiropractor to the extent these services are within the lawful scope of practice of a chiropractor licensed to practice in this State.

Sec. 3. **Effective date.** This Act shall become effective on January 1, 1980.
Effective January 1, 1980

CHAPTER 336
S. P. 463 — L. D. 1429

AN ACT to Amend the Maine Automobile Insurance Cancellation Control Act.

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA § 2916-A is enacted to read:

§ 2916-A. Nonrenewal—reasons