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department or district to a designated representative of those other utilities, districts, municipal sewer or public works departments prior to any excavation taking place.

B. Nothing in this section shall apply to state and state aid highway construction and maintenance activities performed by state maintenance forces.

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CHAPTER 363

H. P. 545 — L. D. 676

AN ACT to Clarify Certain Provisions Relating to the Statistical Reporting of Abortions.

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA § 1596, sub-§ 1, ¶ A, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 696, § 186, is amended to read:

A. "Abortion" means the intentional interruption of a pregnancy by the application of external agents, whether chemical or physical, or the ingestion of chemical agents **with an intention other than to produce a live birth or to remove a dead fetus.**

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA § 1596, sub-§ 1, ¶ B, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 696, § 186, is amended to read:

B. "Miscarriage" means an interruption of a pregnancy other than as provided in paragraph A of a **fetus of less than 20 weeks gestation.**

Sec. 3. 22 MRSA § 1596, sub-§ 2, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 696, § 186, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

2. Reports. A report of each abortion performed and a report of each miscarriage which occurs when a physician is in attendance shall be made to the Department of Human Services on forms prescribed by the department. These report forms shall not identify the patient by name or otherwise and shall contain only the information requested on the United States Standard Report of Induced Termination of Pregnancy, published by the National Center for Health Statistics, dated January 1978.

The form containing that information and data shall be prepared by the attending physician, signed by him and transmitted to the department not later than 10 days following the end of the month in which the abortion is performed or the miscarriage occurs.

Sec. 4. 22 MRSA § 1596, next to last ¶, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 696, § 186, is amended to read:

The identity of any **patient** or physician reporting pursuant to this section is confidential and the department shall take ~~such~~ **the steps as which** are necessary to insure the confidentiality of the identity of **patients** or physicians reporting pursuant to this section.

Sec. 5. 22 MRSA § 2841, first ¶ is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Except as authorized by the department or as required under section 1596, a certificate of each death of a fetus of 20 or more weeks of gestation which occurs in this State shall be filed with the clerk of the municipality where the delivery occurred within 3 days after delivery and prior to removal of the fetus from the State.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 364

H. P. 635 — L. D. 786

AN ACT Concerning the Categories of "Horseless Carriage" and "Antique Motor Car" under the Motor Vehicle Statutes.

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

Sec. 1. 29 MRSA § 1, sub-§ 1-A, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 731, § 19, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

1-A. **Antique auto.** "Antique auto" means any motor vehicle manufactured on or after model year 1916, which is over 25 years old, which is equipped with an engine manufactured either at the same time as the vehicle or to the specifications of the original engine of the vehicle, which is maintained primarily for use in exhibitions, club activities, parades and other functions of public interest and which is not used as its owner's primary mode of transportation of passengers or goods.

Sec. 2. 29 MRSA § 1, sub-§ 3-E is enacted to read:

3-E. **Horseless carriage.** "Horseless carriage" means any motor vehicle made before model year 1916, which is equipped with an engine manufactured either at the same time as the vehicle or to the specifications of the original engine of the vehicle, which is maintained primarily for use in exhibitions, club activities, parades and other functions of public interest and which is not used as