

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

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trustees shall revise the assessments against qualified farmland to exempt it from assessment. Any revision of assessment provided by this subsection shall be in writing and recorded by the clerk or sewer district trustees.

When the use of the land is changed from farmland, the owner shall within 60 days notify the municipal officers or sewer district trustees in writing of the change. The municipal officers or sewer district trustees shall assess this land in an amount equal to the assessment which would have been due but for the provisions of this subsection. The municipality or sewer district trustees shall notify the owner of the assessment due which the owner shall pay within 60 days of notice or as provided by the municipal officers under their authority in section 4453.

Effective September 14, 1979

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## CHAPTER 401

S. P. 389 — L. D. 1200

**AN ACT Relating to the Listing of Contracts Made by Real Estate Brokers and Salesmen.**

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

32 MRSA § 4004, first sentence, as last amended by PL 1969, c. 312, § 1-A, is further amended to read:

All exclusive right-to-sell contracts and, exclusive agency contracts and any nonexclusive contract for a residence with 3 or fewer living units made by a real estate broker or salesman to list real estate for sale shall be in writing and shall contain a specific expiration date.

Effective September 14, 1979

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## CHAPTER 402

S. P. 243 — L. D. 692

**AN ACT to Amend the Maine Consumer Credit Code.**

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

9-A MRSA § 5-110, sub-§ 4, is enacted to read:

4. If the goods that are collateral in a consumer credit transaction include a right of setoff, the notice shall conform to the requirements of subsection 2 and a notice in substantially the form specified in that subsection complies with this subsection, except for the following:

A. The 3rd sentence in the next to the last paragraph of the form of notice specified in subsection 2 shall read: If you do not pay by that date, we may exercise our rights under the law, including the right to set off funds in your checking or savings accounts with us against the balance on this delinquent account; and

B. The first sentence in the last paragraph of the form of notice shall read: If you are late again in making your payments, we may exercise our rights, including the right of setoff, without sending you another notice like this one.

Effective September 14, 1979

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## CHAPTER 403

H. P. 666 — L. D. 826

### AN ACT Relating to Personnel Records of Employees of the State and its Political Subdivisions.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA § 554, 4th ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 564, § 14, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The following records shall be confidential and not open to public inspection, and shall not be "public records" as defined in Title 1, section 402, subsection 3:

1. Papers relating to examinations or evaluations of applicants. Working papers, research material, records and the examinations prepared for and used specifically in the examination or evaluation of applicants for positions within the classified service of State Government;

2. Personal information. Records containing the following, except they may be examined by the employee to whom they relate when that examination is permitted or required by statute:

A. Medical information of any kind, including information pertaining to diagnosis or treatment of mental or emotional disorders;