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**STATE OF MAINE**  
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**PUBLIC LAWS**  
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A. Any verbal request, including, but not limited to, a request that is made in person, by telephone or through any advertising media;

B. Any written request, including, but not limited to, a request that is sent, delivered or distributed or any advertisement posted in a public place or appearing in a newspaper, television or other advertising media; and

Sec. 2. 25 MRSA § 3704, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 575, § 2, is repealed.

Effective September 18, 1981

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## CHAPTER 268

H. P. 1122 — L. D. 1339

**AN ACT Concerning Certain Estates under the Control of Public Administrators.**

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

Sec. 1. 18-A MRSA § 3-603, 2nd sentence, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 540, § 1, is amended to read:

Bond may be required by court order at the time of appointment of a personal representative appointed in any formal proceeding except that bond is not required of a personal representative appointed in formal proceedings if the will relieves the personal representative of bond, unless bond has been requested by an interested party and the court is satisfied that it is desirable, or as provided in section 3-619, subsection (g).

Sec. 2. 18-A MRSA § 3-619, sub-§ (a), 2nd sentence, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 540, § 1, is amended to read:

The public administrator shall have the same powers and duties of a personal representative under supervised administration as provided in section 3-504, and except as provided in subsection (g), shall give bond as provided for other personal representatives in cases of ordinary administration under sections 3-603 through 3-606.

Sec. 3. 18-A MRSA § 3-619, sub-§ (e), as enacted by PL 1979, c. 540, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

(e) When there are assets, other than real property, remaining in the hands of such public administrator after the payment of the decedent's debts and all costs of administration and no heirs have been discovered, the public administrator shall be ordered by the judge to deposit them with the Treasurer of State, who

shall receive them and dispose of them according to Title 33, chapter 27. These assets shall, for the purposes of Title 33, chapter 27, be presumed abandoned when the judge orders the public administrator to deposit them with the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 4. 18-A MRSA § 3-619, sub-§ (g) is enacted to read:

(g) Estates administered under this section having a value at the decedent's death not exceeding \$200 shall be exempt from all notice and filing costs and from giving bond. The cost of notice shall be paid by the court.

Sec. 5. 33 MRSA § 1315 is enacted to read:

§ 1315. Property held by public administrators

All assets held by a public administrator which are to be disposed of under Title 18-A, section 3-619, subsection (e) shall be presumed abandoned when the judge, pursuant to that section, orders the public administrator to deposit those assets with the Treasurer of State.

Effective September 18, 1981

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## CHAPTER 269

H. P. 1125 — L. D. 1342

AN ACT Concerning Qualifications of Law Enforcement Officials.

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

30 MRSA § 2365 is enacted to read:

§ 2365. Qualification of law enforcement officials

Prior to appointing any law enforcement official, the municipal officials shall conduct an investigation into the qualifications and background of any person being considered for appointment. This shall include investigation of the applicants abilities, reputation for truthfulness and respect for the law.

Effective September 18, 1981

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## CHAPTER 270

H. P. 1375 — L. D. 1556

AN ACT to Promote Greater Efficiency through Alternative Working Hours in State Government.