

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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other litigation that involves the citizens of the State.

2. Allocation. No expenditure may be made from any such grants unless allocation of the funds is recommended by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs and approved by the Legislature.

Sec. 2. Allocations of funds. The following funds are allocated from the oil overcharge refund received by the State.

1982-83

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Division of Community Services

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program \$690,000

Tribal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program 60,000

Total Allocation \$750,000

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective May 12, 1983.

CHAPTER 262

H.P. 714 - L.D. 905

AN ACT to Amend the Probate Fees.

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

Sec. 1. 18-A MRSA §1-602, sub-§(2), as amended by PL 1981, c. 470, Pt. A, §43, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

(2) For receiving and entering each petition to probate a will, including foreign wills, and each petition for the administration of an estate in intestacy when the value of the estate is:

(i) \$10,000 and under or for filing a will without probate, \$10;

(ii) \$10,001 to \$20,000, \$20;

(iii) \$20,001 to \$30,000, \$30;

(iv) \$30,001 to \$40,000, \$40;

(v) \$40,001 to \$50,000, \$50;

(vi) \$50,001 to \$75,000, \$75;

(vii) \$75,001 to \$150,000, \$100;

(viii) \$150,001 to \$250,000, \$150; or

(ix) More than \$250,000, \$200.

Sec. 2. 18-A MRSA §1-602, sub-§§(7) and (8) are enacted to read:

(7) For filing a joint petition for appointment as guardian and conservator, \$10.

(8) For filing any other formal proceeding, \$5.

Sec. 3. 19 MRSA §531, as amended by PL 1979, c. 733, §§7 and 8, is further amended to read:

§531. Persons who may adopt

Any husband and wife jointly, or any unmarried person, resident or nonresident of the State of Maine, may petition the Probate Court to adopt a person, regardless of age, and for a change of his or her name. The fee for filing such the petition shall be \$5 \$10. Jurisdiction to grant such the adoption and change of name shall be in the county where the person to be adopted lives or the county where the petitioner resides or the petitioners reside or in the county in which the placing agency having custody of the child is located.

Sec. 4. 19 MRSA §781, as amended by PL 1973, c. 451, §8, is further amended to read:

§781. Petition in Probate Court

If a person desires to have his name changed, he may petition the judge of probate in the county where he resides; or, if he is a minor, his legal custodian may petition in his behalf, and the judge, after due notice, may change the name of such the person and shall make and preserve a record thereof. The fee for filing such the petition shall be \$5 \$10.