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the town to maximize compliance with the Maine State Plumbing Code, the dimensional requirements of the Bridgton Shoreland Zoning Ordinance and to eliminate undersized rights-of-way that separate several of the existing lots. The town may grant easements to the unleased portions of the parcel described in this section for the purpose of sewage disposal.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 280

H.P. 114 - L.D. 121

AN ACT to Improve Voter Registration Access for Potential Absentee Voters.

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

Sec. 1. 21 MRSA §104, as amended by PL 1981, c. 456, Pt. A, §66, is further amended to read:

§104. Applications before notaries public

A notary public or other authorized person before whom a person completes an application for registration to vote, as provided in section 102-A, shall deliver the application to the registrar before the closed period for the acceptance of registrations in the person's municipality, to be placed on the voting list prior to the next election; except that applications completed pursuant to section 631, subsection 5 and section 632, subsection 6 may be delivered during the closed period for immediate placement on the voting list.

Sec. 2. 21 MRSA §631, sub-§5 is enacted to read:

5. Alternative registration schedule for absentee voters. The registrar shall accept registrations pursuant to section 102-A at any time, including election day, provided that the applicant otherwise qualifies as an absentee voter. The receipt of a completed absentee ballot application by the clerk shall establish a presumption of qualification under this subsection.

Sec. 3. 21 MRSA §632, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. Alternative registration schedule for absentee voters. The registrar shall accept registrations pursuant to section 102-A at any time, including

election day, provided that the applicant otherwise qualifies as an absentee voter. The receipt of a completed absentee ballot application by the clerk shall establish a presumption of qualification under this subsection.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 281

H.P. 1156 - L.D. 1526

AN ACT to Make Confidential
Certain Documents of the Maine Human
Rights Commission.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §4612, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1981, c. 6, is further amended to read:

1. Predetermination resolution; investigation.
Upon receipt of such a complaint, the commission or its delegated single commissioner or investigator shall endeavor to resolve the matter by informal means prior to a determination of whether there are reasonable grounds to believe that unlawful discrimination has occurred. Nothing said or done as part of those endeavors nor the final agreement may be made public without the written consent of the parties to the proceeding nor used as evidence in any subsequent proceeding, civil or criminal, except in a civil action filed by a party alleging a breach of agreement. The commission or its delegated commissioner or investigator shall conduct such preliminary investigation as it deems necessary to determine whether there are reasonable grounds to believe that unlawful discrimination has occurred. In conducting an investigation, the commission, or its designated representative, shall have access at all reasonable times to premises, records, documents, individuals and other evidence or possible sources of evidence and may examine, record and copy those materials and take and record the testimony or statements of such persons as are reasonably necessary for the furtherance of the investigation. The commission may issue subpoenas to compel access to or production of those materials or the appearance of those persons, subject to section 4566, subsections 4-A and 4-B, and may serve interrogatories on a respondent to the same extent as interrogatories served in aid of a civil action in the Superior Court. The commission may administer oaths.