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7~MRSA §3704, as amended by PL 1981, c. 698, §17, is further amended to read:

§3704. Official refusal or neglect of duty

Any mayor, selectman, clerk, town or city manager, administrative assistant to the mayor, town or city councillor, dog recorder of unorganized territories, constable, police officer, sheriff or animal control officer who refuses or intentionally fails to perform the duties imposed by sections 3402, 3451, 3452, to 3458, 3652-A and 3701 to 3703 commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture of not less than \$10 nor more than \$50, and costs, shall be adjudged.

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 198

H.P. 891 - L.D. 1280

AN ACT to Reallocate Mortgage Insurance Authority from the Mortgage Insurance Program of the Finance Authority of Maine to the Maine Small Business Loan Program.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Finance Authority of Maine is authorized to insure payment of up to 85% of mortgage loans to Maine small businesses not exceeding an aggregate principal amount of \$2,500,000 at any one time; and

Whereas, the aggregate principal amount of mortgage loans so insured has increased to the point that the \$2,500,000 maximum may be reached in the near future; and

Whereas, if the \$2,500,000 maximum is reached, small businesses may not be able to obtain adequate financing at reasonable terms and rates; and

Whereas, the Finance Authority of Maine currently has unused loan insurance authority under its Mortgage Insurance Program which can be reallocated on a short-term basis to the Maine Small Business Loan Program to permit the program to continue to operate without interruption; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §1024, sub-§2, ¶B, as amended by PL 1983, c. 4, is further amended to read:

B. In the amount required, but not exceeding in the aggregate at any one time outstanding the amount set forth in the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14-A, as it may be from time to time amended, except that bonds issued under the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14-A under this subchapter shall not exceed in the aggregate at any one time outstanding the amount of \$60,000,000;

Sec. 2. 10 MRSA §1094, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 519, §20, is amended to read:

The authority may, upon application of the proposed lender, insure loan payments to small businesses required by the first mortgage on any eligible project, upon such terms and conditions as the lean authority beard may prescribe, provided that the aggregate amount of principal obligations of all mortgages so insured outstanding at any one time shall not exceed \$2,500,000 \$4,500,000. To be eligible for insurance under this subchapter a loan shall:

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

Effective May 23, 1985.

CHAPTER 199

S.P. 358 - L.D. 979

AN ACT to Amend the Social Worker Registration Act with Respect to Employment by Nursing Homes.