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plies to any member who begins membership after December 31, 1985.

Only members of the system, their spouses, children, parents or beneficiaries shall be eligible to receive benefits from the system.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §1091, sub-§2 is amended to read:

2. Application for membership. Any employee person who has elected not to become a member by filing a waiver in accordance with the Revised Statutes of 1944, chapter 60, section 3 pursuant to subsection 1, may at any time apply for and be admitted to membership. Membership service credit shall begin as of the effective date of first contributions to the system. This subsection shall apply to any member who begins membership after December 31, 1985.

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 245

H.P. 1042 - L.D. 1517

AN ACT Concerning Funeral and Burial Expenses of Municipal General Assistance Recipients.

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

22 MRSA §4313, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1983, c. 701, §4, is further amended to read:

Burial. In the event of the death of an eli-2. gible person, the funeral director shall notify the overseer prior to making any burial preparations or by the end of the next business day following the funeral director's receipt of the body, whichever is earlier. Notwithstanding section 4305, subsection 3, paragraph C, a decision on any application for assistance with burial expenses need not be rendered until the overseer has verified that no relative or other resource is available to pay for the burial costs, but in no case shall the decision be rendered more than 10 days after receiving an application. The father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, children or grandchildren, by consanguinity, living within or owning real or tangible property within the

State, shall be responsible for the burial costs of the eligible person in proportion to their respective abilities.

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 246

H.P. 1043 - L.D. 1518

AN ACT Concerning the Composition of the Board of Elevator and Tramway Safety.

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §472, sub-§12-A is enacted to read:

12-A. Physically handicapped person. "Physically handicapped person" means a person who has a physiological disability, infirmity, malformation, disfigurement or condition which eliminates or severely limits the person's ability to have access to his environment by normal ambulatory function, thereby necessitating the use of crutches, a wheelchair or other similar device for locomotion.

Sec. 2. 26 MRSA §475, 2nd \P , as amended by PL 1981, c. 168, §26, is further amended to read:

The board shall consist of 9 members, of whom 7 6 shall be appointed to membership by the director, subject to the approval of the Governor. Each member shall hold office until his successor is duly appointed. At the expiration of each member's term, his successor shall be appointed by the director, subject to the approval of the Governor, from the same classification in accordance with this section for a term of 4 years. In case of a vacancy in board membership, the director, with the approval of the Governor, shall appoint a member of the proper classification to serve the term of the absent member. Of the 7 appointed 6 members of the board, appointed by the director, one shall be representative of owners or lessees of elevators within the State; one shall be a representative of manufacturers of elevators; ene shall be a representative of insurance companies licensed to insure elevators and tramways in the State; one shall be a licensed elevator mechanic; one shall be a representative of a ski area operator presently