

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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**Sec. 2. Effective date.** This Act takes effect on January 1, 1992.

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## CHAPTER 18

H.P. 44 - L.D. 63

### An Act Concerning Capital Improvements and Impact Fees

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

**Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §4301, sub-§6-A** is enacted to read:

**6-A. Impact fee.** "Impact fee" means a charge or assessment imposed by a municipality against a new development to fund or recoup the cost of new, expanded or replacement infrastructure facilities necessitated by and attributable to the new development.

**Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §4354, first ¶,** as amended by PL 1989, c. 562, §16, is further amended to read:

A municipality may enact an ordinance under its home rule authority requiring the construction of off-site capital improvements or the payment of impact fees instead of the construction. Notwithstanding section 3442, an impact fee may be imposed that results in a developer or developers paying the entire cost of an infrastructure improvement. A municipality may impose an impact fee either before or after completing the infrastructure improvement. No later than 2 years after the applicable deadlines established under section 4343, subsection 1, any impact fee ordinance must have been adopted as part of a certified local growth management program.

**Sec. 3. 30-A MRSA §4354, sub-§2, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 1989, c. 104, Pt. A, §45 and Pt. C, §10, is amended to read:

A. The amount of the fee must be reasonably related to the development's share of the cost of infrastructure improvements made necessary by the development or, if the improvements were constructed at municipal expense prior to the development, the fee must be reasonably related to the portion or percentage of the infrastructure used by the development.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 19

H.P. 78 - L.D. 106

### An Act Regarding Possession of Certain Weapons, Implements or Aids

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

**12 MRSA §7406, sub-§17, ¶¶A to E,** as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, §1, are amended to read:

A. Uses for hunting or possesses for hunting any automatic firearm;

B. Uses for hunting or possesses for hunting any auto-loading firearm having a magazine capacity of more than 5 cartridges. All auto-loading firearms having a magazine capacity in excess of 5 cartridges ~~shall~~ must have the magazine permanently altered to contain not more than 5 cartridges before it may be used in this State for hunting;

C. ~~Sells, offers~~ Uses for sale, uses hunting or possesses for hunting any firearm fitted or contrived with any device for deadening the sound of explosion;

D. Uses for hunting cartridges containing tracer bullets;

E. Uses for hunting cartridges containing explosive bullets;

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 20

H.P. 173 - L.D. 258

### An Act to Provide for a Student Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Technical College System

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

**Whereas,** addition of a student member to the Board of Trustees of the Maine Technical College System is a priority; and

**Whereas,** failure to enact this legislation as an emergency will deny student representation on the Board of Trustees of the Maine Technical College System until at least February, 1992; 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:**