

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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J.S. McCarthy Company  
Augusta, Maine  
1991

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6052, sub-§4, ¶B, as amended by PL 1987, c. 599, §2, is further amended to read:

B. Solving particular problems that relate to the State's commercial, marine recreational and anadromous fishing industry; ~~and~~

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6052, sub-§4, ¶C, as amended by PL 1987, c. 599, §2, is further amended to read:

C. Providing technical and scientific information and support for all department activities; and

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6052, sub-§4, ¶D is enacted to read:

D. Establishing a marine research revolving fund for soliciting and receiving funds for conducting marine research. A marine research fund established under this paragraph may be used only for research purposes set forth under paragraphs A and B and may not be used for research specific to any one company.

Sec. 4. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1991-92	1992-93
MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Marine Research Revolving Fund		
All Other	\$10,000	\$10,000
Provides funds to conduct marine research.		

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## CHAPTER 286

S.P. 444 - L.D. 1188

### An Act Concerning Public Representation on Professional and Occupational Boards or Commissions

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

5 MRSA §12004-A, 2nd ¶, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 786, §5, is amended to read:

For purposes of any occupational or professional licensing boards which have a public member or members, "public member" means a person who has no fi-

nancial interest in the profession regulated by the board to which that member has been appointed and who has never been licensed, certified or given a permit in this or any other state for the occupation or profession ~~for which~~ that member is appointed to regulate.

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## CHAPTER 287

S.P. 407 - L.D. 1083

### An Act to Ensure Voter Participation in the Siting of Both Storage and Disposal of Radioactive Waste

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

38 MRSA §1527, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 530, §4, is amended to read:

3. Local participation in siting decision. Within 60 days of the final selection by the authority of the low-level waste disposal facility site, the governing body of the municipality where the facility is to be located, or the Secretary of State in the case of an unorganized township, shall hold an election for the purpose of approving the site. Unless 60% of the voters casting ballots in the election approve of the authority's site location decision, the authority ~~shall~~ may not locate the facility within the municipality or territory. After January 1, 2001, the authority may not site a low-level radioactive waste storage facility, or continue to operate any previously sited low-level radioactive waste storage facility, without the approval of at least 60% of the voters casting ballots in the election of the host municipality or township.

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## CHAPTER 288

S.P. 399 - L.D. 1075

### An Act to Allow the Suspension of Fines in Certain Cases

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

17-A MRSA §1152, sub-§2, ¶C, as amended by PL 1989, c. 502, Pt. D, §10, is further amended to read:

C. A fine, suspended in whole or in part, with, at the court's discretion, probation as authorized by chapter 49;

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