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**Penmor Lithographers**  
**Lewiston, Maine**  
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State to the Secretary of the Senate, the Clerk of the House and the Revisor of Statutes.

See title page for effective date, unless otherwise indicated.

**CHAPTER 698**

**H.P. 1607 - L.D. 2246**

**An Act To Extend the ConnectME Authority**

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

**Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §9215**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 665, §3, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 699**

**H.P. 1619 - L.D. 2257**

**An Act To Establish a Uniform Building and Energy Code**

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §12004-G, sub-§5-A** is enacted to read:

**5-A.**

<u>Building Codes and Standards</u>	<u>Technical Building Codes and Standards Board</u>	<u>Expenses Only</u>	<u>10 MRSA c. 1103</u>
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**Sec. 2. 10 MRSA §1415-C, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

**7. Repeal.** This section is repealed July 1, 2010.

**Sec. 3. 10 MRSA §1415-D, sub-§2** is enacted to read:

**2. Repeal.** This section is repealed July 1, 2010.

**Sec. 4. 10 MRSA §1420, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

**4. Repeal.** This section is repealed July 1, 2010.

**Sec. 5. 10 MRSA §9707** is enacted to read:

**§9707. Repeal**

This chapter is repealed July 1, 2010.

**Sec. 6. 10 MRSA c. 1103** is enacted to read:

**CHAPTER 1103**

**MAINE UNIFORM BUILDING AND ENERGY CODE**

**§9721. Definitions**

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

**1. Board.** "Board" means the Technical Building Codes and Standards Board established in Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 5-A.

**2. Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code.** "Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code" means the uniform statewide building and energy code adopted by the board pursuant to this chapter.

**§9722. Technical Building Codes and Standards Board**

**1. Establishment.** The Technical Building Codes and Standards Board, established in Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 5-A and located within the Department of Public Safety, is established to adopt, amend and maintain the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code, to resolve conflicts between the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code and the fire and life safety codes in Title 25, sections 2452 and 2465 and to provide for training for municipal building officials, local code enforcement officers and 3rd-party inspectors.

**2. Membership.** The board consists of 11 voting members, appointed by the Governor:

A. The State Fire Marshal or a designee or a fire chief, recommended by the Maine Fire Chiefs' Association or its successor organization;

B. A municipal code enforcement officer employed by a municipality that is not a service center community under Title 30-A, chapter 187, recommended by the Maine Municipal Association or its successor organization;

C. A municipal code enforcement officer employed by a service center community under Title 30-A, chapter 187, recommended by the Maine Service Centers Coalition or its successor organization;

D. A residential builder recommended by a statewide or regional association of home builders and remodelers;

E. A commercial builder recommended by a statewide association of general contractors;

F. An architect licensed in the State who is accredited by a nationally recognized organization that administers credentialing programs related to environmentally sound building practices and