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2 successive terms. The corporators shall elect a chair, a vice-chair and a treasurer from among the board of directors. The board of directors shall appoint a president of the Maine Development Foundation. The president may not be appointed from among the other directors. Upon appointment, the president becomes a director and the chief executive officer of the Maine Development Foundation.

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CHAPTER 326 H.P. 889 - L.D. 1366

An Act to Amend Certain Provisions of the Drug Laws Related to Cocaine Base

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

- **Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1107-A, sub-§1, ¶A,** as amended by PL 2015, c. 308, §1, is further amended by amending subparagraph (1) to read:
 - (1) Cocaine and the quantity possessed is more than 14 grams; or
- **Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §1107-A, sub-§1, ¶A,** as amended by PL 2015, c. 308, §1, is further amended by repealing subparagraph (2).
- **Sec. 3. 17-A MRSA §1118-A, sub-§1,** ¶C, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 485, §3, is amended to read:
 - C. At the time of the offense, the person illegally imports cocaine in a quantity of 112 grams or more or cocaine in the form of cocaine base in a quantity of 32 grams or more. Violation of this paragraph is a Class A crime:

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CHAPTER 327 H.P. 751 - L.D. 1146

An Act Regarding the Required State of Mind Relating to Robbery

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

- **Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §651, sub-§1, ¶B,** as amended by PL 2017, c. 157, §1, is further amended to read:
 - B. The actor <u>intentionally or knowingly</u> threatens to use force against any person present or otherwise intentionally or knowingly places any person present in fear of the imminent use of force with the intent:

- (1) To prevent or overcome resistance to the taking of the property, or to the retention of the property immediately after the taking; or
- (2) To compel the person in control of the property to give it up or to engage in other conduct that aids in the taking or carrying away of the property.

Violation of this paragraph is a Class B crime; See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 328 S.P. 144 - L.D. 358

An Act to Increase Fees Paid to Registers of Deeds

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

Sec. 1. 33 MRSA §604, 3rd ¶, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 710, §1, is amended to read:

Registers shall photocopy each warranty or quitclaim deed send an electronic or paper copy of transfers received and send the copy to the assessors of the appropriate municipality in the format requested by the assessors within 30 days of recordation. They Registers may charge a reasonable fee for such service a paper copy provided pursuant to this paragraph.

- **Sec. 2. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 2013, c. 370, §1, is further amended to read:
- 1. Instruments generally. Receiving, recording and indexing any instrument that may be recorded and for which a specific fee is not set forth in this section or in any other section, the sum of \$19 for the first record page and \$2 for each additional record page or portion of an additional record page. In addition, if more than 4 names are to be indexed, a fee of \$1 must be paid for each additional name, counting all grantors and grantes; a flat fee charged as follows:
 - A. Twenty-five dollars per instrument recorded at the request of the State or a municipality; and
 - B. Thirty-five dollars per instrument recorded at the request of all other persons.
- **Sec. 3. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§9,** as amended by PL 2013, c. 370, §2, is further amended to read:
- **9. Plans.** Recording, indexing and preserving plans, the sum of \$21 \underset{945};
- **Sec. 4. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§13-A,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 246, §3, is repealed.
- **Sec. 5. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§14-B, ¶A,** as amended by PL 2013, c. 370, §3, is further amended to read: