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Residency requirement - memo dated May 22, 1974

The standard to be applied to military personnel whose residence was in Maine prior to their entering the service or being transferred to a base outside the State of Maine is set out in Art. II, Sec. 1 of the Constitution of Maine. Under such a standard no one should be deemed to have lost his residence by reason of his absence from the State while in the military service.

Section 556 precludes employment prior to 6 months residency; it does not preclude examination during that period. If the Board were to preclude examination until after full expiration of that period, this would extend the period of eligibility for employment beyond 6 months; the Legislature has not authorized the Board to so extend the employment eligibility period.

RJS/mf

AN INFORMAL OPINION