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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act Correcting Errors and Inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine.

(EMERGENCY)

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

Whereas, these errors and inconsistencies create uncertainties and confusion in interpreting legislative intent; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that these uncertainties and the confusion be resolved in order to prevent any injustice or hardship to the citizens of Maine; 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:

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Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §13084, sub-§7, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 875, Pt. M, \S 7 and affected by \$13, is amended to read:

7. Rule-making authority. If the Residential Conservation 26 Service, as established by the United States Natural Energy Conservation Policy Act, Public Law 95-619, November 9, 1978, as amended by the United States Energy Security Act, Public Law 28 96-294, June 30, 1980, 42 United States Code, Section 8211 et 30 seq., is repealed or amended so as to have the effect of removing requirements for providing energy conservation information and energy audits and arranging financing for energy conservation 32 for residential customers, improvements the director may promulgate rules pursuant to the Maine Administrative Procedure 34 Act to continue these services. In establishing these rules, the director shall simplify federal rules, insofar as possible, 36 without preventing fulfillment of the program objectives and in 38 no case may the director impose rules containing additional requirements for utilities.

Until the director promulgates new rules under this paragraph subsection, the previously existing federal regulations and any state rules implementing them are considered state rules with full force.

46 Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §15143, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 915, §8, is amended to read:

3. Transition plan. A detailed description of the programs, planning capabilities and staffing resources developed within the zone as a result of its designation as a zone and a detailed plan showing how the zone will maintain those programs, capabilities and staff for at least one year beyond the end of its authorization as a zone.

4 The-department-shall-cancel-the-authorisation-of-a-some-not-in compliance-with-this-section.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §15143, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 915, §8, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

10 <u>The department shall cancel the authorization of a zone not</u> in compliance with this section.

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §17812, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 256, 14 §11, is amended to read:

 16 2. Election final. Except as provided in section 17803, subsection 4, and section 17957 <u>17953</u>, subsection 8, if a
 18 beneficiary elects a benefit after receiving reasonable notification of available options from the retirement system, his
 20 <u>the beneficiary's</u> election of benefit is final and may not be changed or revoked at a later date.

Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §18412, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 256, 24 §34, is amended to read:

26 2. Election final. Except as provided in section 18403, subsection 4, and section 18569 18553, subsection 8, if a
 28 beneficiary elects a benefit after receiving reasonable notification of available options from the retirement system, his
 30 the beneficiary's election of a benefit is final and may not be changed or revoked at a later date.

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 Sec. 6. 14 MRSA §3141, sub-§7, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 875,
 34 Pt. E, §18, is amended to read:

36 7. Remedies. Failure to pay by the date fixed by the court's order or an amended order shall-subject subjects the 38 defendant to the contempt procedures provided in section 3142, suspensions under Title 29, section 2301-A, and all procedures 40 for collections provided for in subsections <u>sections</u> 3127-A, 3127-B, 3131, 3132, 3134, 3135 and 3136. An installment agreement under this section must be considered in an agreement 42 under section 3125, and a court order to pay under section 3127 44 ef-this-title. In addition to other penalties provided by law, the court may impose on the defendant reasonable costs for any 46 failure to appear.

48 Sec. 7. 15 MRSA §1025, as amended by PL 1989, c. 704, §3, is further amended to read:

§1025. Law enforcement officers

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A law enforcement officer may, without fee, take the
2 personal recognizance of any defendant for appearance on a charge of a Class D or Class E crime. If authorized, a law enforcement
4 officer may, without fee, take the personal recognizance with deposit in accordance with Title 12, section 675, section 7053,
6 subsection 2, paragraph C and Title-12, section 9707.

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Sec. 8. 17 MRSA 2701-B, first as enacted by PL 1989, c. 836, 2, is amended to read:

The Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources investigate complaints of improper 12 shall manure handling, including, but not limited to, complaints of improper storage or 14 spreading of manure. The commissioner may investigate or take other action under this section only after notice and hearing and 16 utilizing the requirements of Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter IV. If the commissioner is able to identify the source or sources of the manure and has reason to believe that the manure 18 is a nuisance and the nuisance is caused by the use of other than 20 generally accepted manure handling practices, the commissioner shall:

Sec. 9. 17 MRSA §2701-B, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 836, §2, is repealed.

26 Sec. 10. 17-A MRSA §362, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1989, c. 239, §1, is further amended to read:

3. Theft is a Class C crime if:

A. The value of the property or services is more than 32 \$1,000 but not more than \$5,000; or

B. The theft is a violation under section 355+-er .

Sec. 11. 17-A MRSA §907, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 512, §32, is amended to read:

2. Possession or transfer of theft of services devices in 40 violation of section subsection 1, paragraph B is a Class D crime; otherwise it is a Class E crime.

Sec. 12. 17-A MRSA §1103, sub-§3, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 924, §8, is amended to read:

46 D. Lysergic acid diethylamide in any of the following quantities, states or concentrations:

(1) Any compound, mixture, substance or solution in a
 50 liquid state that contains a detectable quantity of
 lysergic acid diethylamide;

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(2) Fifty or more squares, stamps, tablets or units of 2 compound, mixture or substance containing any detectable quantity of lysergic acid diethylamide; or 4 Any quantity of any compound, mixture or substance (3) that, in the aggregate, contains 2,500 micrograms or б more of lysergic acid diethylamide. 8 Sec. 13. 17-A MRSA §1106, sub-§3, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 10 924, §12, is amended to read: 12 D. Lysergic acid diethylamide in any of the following quantities or concentrations: 14 (1) Not less than 25 squares, stamps, tablets or units of any compound, mixture or substance containing a 16 detectable quantity of lysergic acid diethylamide; or 18 . (2) Any quantity of any compound, mixture or substance 20 that, in the aggregate, contains not less than 1,250 micrograms of lysergic acid diethylamide. 22 Sec. 14. 20-A MRSA §6501, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 24 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read: 26 5. **Penalty.** Failure to comply with this section shall-be is subject to penalties under section 6801 6801-A. 28 Sec. 15. 20-A MRSA §8451, sub-§5, ¶C, as amended by PL 1989, 30 c. 700, Pt. A, §57, is further amended to read: 32 In the event that School Administrative District No. 27, с. School Administrative District No. 33 and Madawaska School 34 Department enter into a cooperative agreement pursuant to section 8401, not later than June 30, 1989, the school boards of the 3 participating units shall, in conjunction 36 with the advisory committee, develop and submit a plan to the Commissioner of Education for delivery of secondary 38 vocational services within the 3 participating units. The 40 plan shall must include: 42 (1)A proposal for the construction of a new vocational center in School Administrative District No. 44 33; (2) Provisions for assignment without loss of salary 46 of all continuing contract vocational teachers employed 48 by School Administrative District No. 27 and Madawaska School Department to School Administrative District No. 50 33 if a new vocational center in School Administrative District No. 33 becomes operational; and 52

(3) Assurances that all 3 participating administrative units and School Administrative District No. 10 on a tuition basis, shall have access to programs at the new vocational center in proportion to the number of high school juniors and seniors in each administrative unit.

Sec. 16. 20-A MRSA §10709, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read:

10 **§10709.** Penalties

12 Any educational institution conferring degrees within the State or offering courses or programs within the State which that 14 carry academic credit without being authorized or approved to do so in accordance with this chapter is subject to a civil penalty 16 of not more than \$5,000, payable to the State, to be recovered in a civil aet action.

Sec. 17. 20-A MRSA c. 431, first 2 lines are repealed and the 20 following enacted in their place:

CHAPTER 431

MAINE TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Sec. 18. 22 MRSA §42, sub-§3, as repealed and replaced by PL 1989, c. 878, Pt. A, §53, is amended to read:

З. Plumbing and subsurface waste water disposal. The with the advice and consent of the Plumbers' 30 department, Examining Board, shall adopt by reference a nationally recognized 32 plumbing code. The department, with the advice and consent of the Plumbers' Examining Board, may adopt, as necessary, amendments to that code. The department shall adopt minimum 34 rules relating to subsurface sewage disposal systems. All rules, including installation and inspection rules, must be consistent 36 with Title 30-A, chapter 185, subchapter III, and Title 32, but this does not preempt the authority of 38 chapter 49, municipalities under Title 30-A, section 3001, to adopt more restrictive ordinances +-and . The department shall hold hearings 40 on the first Tuesday of February of each year for the purpose of 42 considering changes in the rules pertaining to plumbing and subsurface sewage disposal systems and the installation and inspection thereof. These rules may regulate the location of 44 water supply wells to provide minimum separation distances from subsurface sewage disposal systems. The department may require a 46 deed covenant or deed restriction when determined necessary.

Any person who violates the rules adopted under this subsection, 50 or who violates a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to Title 30-A, sections 4201 and 4211 or uses a subsurface waste water 52 disposal system not in compliance with rules applicable at the

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time of installation or modification shall must be penalized in accordance with Title 30-A, section 4452. Enforcement of the rules shall-be is the responsibility of the municipalities rather than the department. The department or a municipality may seek to enjoin violations of the rules or municipal ordinances. In the prosecution of a violation by a municipality, the court shall award reasonable attorney's fees to a municipality if that municipality is the prevailing party, unless the court finds that special circumstances make the award of these fees unjust.

Sec. 19. 22 MRSA §1829, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 767, §1 and c. 823, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

14 <u>§1829. Notice to medical utilization review entity</u>

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 16 <u>1. Definitions. As used in this section, unless the</u> <u>context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the</u>
 18 <u>following meanings.</u>

- A. "Medical utilization review entity" means a person, corporation, organization or other entity that provides
 medical utilization review services as defined in Title 24-A, section 2773.
- B. "Emergency treatment" means treatment of a case
 involving accidental bodily injury or the sudden and unexpected onset of a critical condition requiring medical
 or surgical care for which a person seeks immediate medical attention within 24 hours of the onset.
- 2. Notification requirement. If a hospital provides
 32. emergency treatment to a person who is insured or otherwise covered under a policy or contract that requires review of
 34 hospitalization by a medical utilization review entity, the hospital must notify the medical utilization review entity
 36 covering that person, unless the person is:
- 38 <u>A. Released from the hospital no more than 48 hours after</u> admission; or
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- B. Covered under an insurance policy or contract that is
 42 not subject to Title 24, section 2302-B, Title 24-A, section
 2749-A or Title 24-A, section 2848.
- 46 The notification must include the name of the person admitted, 46 the general medical nature of the admission and the telephone number of the admitting physician or other health care provider 48 treating the person.
- 50 <u>3. Timing of notification. Notification must be made</u> within 2 business days after the hospital determines the identity
 52 of the utilization review entity and receives written

authorization to release the information by the patient or other 2 person authorized to permit release of the information. 4 4. Exemption. The hospital is exempt from this requirement if: 6 A. The hospital receives a written confirmation from the 8 admitting physician, the patient or a representative of the patient that the medical utilization review entity has been notified; or 10 12 B. The hospital is not able to obtain written authorization to release the information, following a good faith effort by 14 the hospital to obtain that authorization. 16 5. Immunity from liability for notification. Neither the hospital nor any of its employees or representatives may be held 18 liable for damages resulting from the notification required by this section. 20 Sec. 20. 22 MRSA §1830 is enacted to read: 22 <u>§1830. Pharmaceutical services in nursing homes</u> 24 1. Notice. Each nursing home shall post a notice in a place within the nursing home where notices for residents are 26 ordinarily posted stating that each resident has the right to obtain medication from a pharmacy of the resident's choice as 28 provided in section 1826, subsection 1. 30 Sec. 21. 22 MRSA §4031, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 733, 32 §18, is amended to read: 34 З. Scope of authority. The court shall consider an and act child protection petitions regardless of other decrees on regarding a child's care and custody. The requirements and 36 provisions of Title 19, chapter 16, the Uniform Child Custody 38 Jurisdiction Act, shall do not apply to child protection proceedings. If custody is an issue in another pending proceeding, the proceedings may be consolidated in the District 40 Court, with respect to the custody issue. In any event, the court 42 shall make an order on the child protection petition in accordance with this chapter. That order takes precedence over 44 any other prior order regarding the child's care and custody. 46 Sec. 22. 22 MRSA §5112, sub-§3, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 793, §11, is repealed. 48 Sec. 23. 22 MRSA §5112, sub-§3, ¶B-1 is enacted to read: 50 B-1. The Maine Residents Property Tax Program; 52

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Sec. 24. 24-A MRSA §1618, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 132, §1, 2 is repealed. Sec. 25. 24-A MRSA §1679, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 132, §1, 4 is repealed. 6 Sec. 26. 25 MRSA §1542-A, sub-§1, ¶E, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 512, §3, is amended to read: 8 10 Ε. Who dies under circumstances of death constituting a medical examiner case under Title 22, section 3025, if sought pursuant to Title 22, section 3025 3028, subsection 12 3, or at the request of the Chief Medical Examiner or the 14 Attorney General; or Sec. 27. 26 MRSA c. 5, first 5 lines are repealed and the 16 following enacted in their place: 18. CHAPTER 5 20 HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS 22 SUBCHAPTER I 24 BEDDING AND UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE 26 Sec. 28. 26 MRSA §1043, sub-§17, ¶B, as amended by PL 1979, c. 28 515, $\S5$, is further amended to read: 30 в. An individual, including corporate officers, shall-bedeemed is considered "partially unemployed" in any week of less than full-time work if his the individual's wages 32 payable from any source for such week are not \$5 or more in 34 excess of the weekly benefit amount he the individual would be entitled to receive if totally unemployed and eligible, 36 except that remuneration payable or received as holiday pay shall is not be-deemed considered wages for the purpose of 38 this subsection and except that any amounts received from the Federal Government by members of the National Guard and organized reserve, including base pay and allowances, or any 40 amounts received as a volunteer fireman firefighter, a 42 volunteer emergency medical services person or as an elected member of the Legislature, shall are not be--deemed 44 considered wages for the purpose of this subsection. Sec. 29. 30-A MRSA §501, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1989, c. 46 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read: 48 Employment. 1. All county officers or department heads shall submit to the county commissioners or the County Personnel 50 Board, if one has been established under article 2, the name of

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any person the county officer or department head proposes to

employ or the names of more than one person from which the county
commissioners or personnel board are to select a person for
employment. The county commissioners or the County Personnel
Board may approve the employment of that the person or select
anether a person for employment. If approval is withheld or a
selection is not made, the county commissioners or the County
Personnel Board, within 14 days after the name or names have been
submitted, shall notify the county officer or department head of
the reasons for their disapproval or failure to make a selection.

Sec. 30. 30-A MRSA §2526, sub-§5, ¶B, as amended by PL 1989, 12 c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

- In addition to the method provided by paragraph A and 14 Β. notwithstanding the provision of any town charter to the 16 contrary, the municipal officers of any town, or the municipal officers of 2 or more towns acting jointly, may enact an ordinance providing for a single assessor. 18 The municipal officers shall appoint the assessor for a term not 20 exceeding 5 years.
- (1) Seven days' notice of the meeting at which the ordinance is to be proposed shall must be given in the manner provided for town meetings.
- In towns where the municipal legislative body is 26 (2) the town meeting, the ordinance is effective immediately after the next regular annual town meeting 28 if enacted at least 90 days before the meeting. The 30 ordinance stands until revoked by the municipal legislative body or the municipal officers at a meeting 32 held at least 90 days before the annual town meeting.

Sec. 31. 30-A MRSA §2953, as amended by PL 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

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§2953. Neglect of owners; function of fence viewers

If any party neglects or refuses to repair or rebuild any 40 such fence,--which that that party is legally required to maintain, the aggrieved party may complain to 2 or more fence viewers of the town where the land is situated who, after due 42 notice to the delinquent party, shall proceed to survey it and, if they determine that it is insufficient, they shall signify it 44 in writing to the delinquent occupant and direct the delinquent occupant to repair or rebuild it within such time as they judge 46 reasonable not exceeding 30 days. If the fence is not repaired or rebuilt accordingly, the complaint complainant may make or 48 repair it.

Sec. 32. 30-A MRSA §4403, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 1989, c.
 104, Pt. A, §45 and Pt. C, §10, is amended to read:

2 б. Burden of proof; findings of fact. In all instances, the burden of proof is upon the person proposing the 4 subdivision. In issuing its decision, the reviewing authority shall make findings of fact establishing that the proposed subdivision does or does not meet the criteria described in 6 subsection-5 section 4404.

Sec. 33. 30-A MRSA \$4406, sub-\$1, \PE , as amended by PL 1989, c. 769, \$1 and c. 772, \$4, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

E. Any person who, after receiving approval from the municipal reviewing authority or approval under Title 38, chapter 3, subchapter I, article 6 and recording the plan at the registry of deeds, constructs or develops the subdivision or transfers any lot in a manner other than depicted on the approved plans or amendments or in violation of any condition imposed by the municipal reviewing authority or the Department of Environmental Protection, when applicable, must be penalized in accordance with section 4452.

Sec. 34. 30-A MRSA §4452, sub-§5, ¶J, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 104, Pt. A, §45 and Pt. C, §10, is amended to read:

J. Local ordinances regarding automobile junkyards <u>and</u> <u>automobile graveyards</u> pursuant to chapter 183, subchapter I;

30 Sec. 35. 32 MRSA §10604, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1989, c. 542, §50, is further amended to read:

 Knowing violation. Any Notwithstanding Title 17-A, a
 person who must be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned for more than 5 years, or both, upon conviction, if that person
 knowingly violates:

38 A. Any provision of this Act, except section 10204;

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42 44 46 C. Section 10204, knowing the statement made to-be is false or misleading in any material respect, --- shall, --- upon conviction, -- notwithstanding - Title -- 17 - A, - be -- fined -- not -- more than - \$5,000 -- or -- imprisoned -- more -- than -- 5 -- years, - or -- both, - for each -- violation.

Any rule or order of the administrator under this Act; or

48 Sec. 36. 32 MRSA §13863, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 878, Pt.
 D, §11 and c. 895, §19 and as affected by PL 1991, c. 263, §6, is
 50 repealed and the following enacted in its place:

52 §13863. Registration

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1. Registration. An individual may not engage in 2 procedures of counseling for a fee, monetary or otherwise, unless that individual is licensed pursuant to section 13858 or 4 registers with the department pursuant to this section. Each individual who is not licensed and who engages in procedures of б counseling shall register with the department every 2 years. Each individual who registers shall fill out a form designed by 8 the board. 10 2. Information required. Each individual who registers shall provide the following information on the form designed by 12 the board. The board shall compile this information and make it available to the public upon request and for a fee that covers the cost of making information available. The information that 14 must be provided includes: 16 A. Name, address and telephone number of individuals 18 registering; 20 B. Major fields of training and expertise, including degrees and professional certifications held and from where 22 they were conferred; C. Method of billing and previous experience and policy 24 with regard to 3rd-party payments; 26 D. The fee schedule and provisions for pro bono work or 28 sliding scale modifications of the fee schedule; and 30 E. A description of the individual's practice: 32 3. Client bill of rights; code of ethics. Each individual who registers under this section shall sign, post and make a copy available to each client of: 34 36 A. The client bill of rights approved by the board; 38 B. The code of professional ethics approved by the board; and 40 C. The name and telephone number of the board's complaint 42 officer and a description of the complaint process. 4. Registration fee. Each individual registering under 44 this section shall pay a registration fee, not to exceed \$50 46 biennially, established by the board for the purposes of the administration of this section. 48 5. Registration not allowed. An individual, whose license, 50 certification or registration has been revoked or suspended in this or any other state and in this or any related field, may not register to practice in this State unless the period of 52

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revocation or suspension has been completed and the board has 2 conducted a competency review and determined that rehabilitation has taken place. 4 6. Disciplinary action. Any individual who is registered under this section is subject to section 13861. б 8 7. Registration not certification. Registration does not imply or certify in any way that the registrant has met any 10 standards or criteria of education or training. 12 Effective date. This section takes effect October 1, 1992. 14 Sec. 37. 36 MRSA §5200-A, sub-§1, ¶G, as amended by PL 1989, c. 880, Pt. G, §5 and Pt. J, §1, is further amended to read: 16 18 G. For a taxable year ending in 1984, the sum of the following portions of the deductions allowed for that 20 taxable year to the taxpayer under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 168: 22 2.5% of the deductions for 3-year property; 24 (2) 7.5% of the deductions for 5-year property; 26 (3) 12.5% of the deductions for 10-year property; and 28 (4) 20% of the deductions for 15-year property; and 30 Sec. 38. 36 MRSA §5200-A, sub-§1, ¶H, as enacted by PL 1989, 32 c. 880, Pt. G, \S_6 and Pt. J, \S_2 , is repealed and the following enacted in its place: 34 H. The absolute value of the amount of any net operating 36 loss arising from tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1989 but before January 1, 1990 and that, pursuant to the 38 United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 172, is being carried back for federal income tax purposes to the taxable 40 year by the taxpayer; and 42 Sec. 39. 36 MRSA §5200-A, sub-§1, ¶I is enacted to read: 44 I. Interest or dividends on obligations or securities of any state or of a political subdivision or authority, other 46 than this State and its political subdivisions and authorities. 48 Sec. 40. 36 MRSA §5200-A, sub-§2, ¶G, as amended by PL 1989, c. 880, Pt. G, §8, is further amended to read: 50

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G. Fifty percent of the apportionable dividend income the taxpayer received during the taxable year from an affiliated corporation that is not included with the taxpayer in a Maine combined report, except that this modification must be phased in over 5 years in accordance with the following schedule:

8	Taxable year beginning in:	Subtractable dividend
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·	1989	10%
12	1990	20%
	1991	30%
14	1992	40%
	1993 or thereafter	50% <u>; and</u>

Sec. 41. 38 MRSA §11, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 412, 18 §§7 and 8, is amended to read:

As used in this section <u>subchapter</u>, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following
 meanings.

24 Sec. 42. 38 MRSA §1101, sub-§7, as affected by PL 1989, c. 890, Pt. A, §40 and amended by Pt. B, §212, is further amended to read:

7. Submission. When the record of the municipality or the 28 record of the joint meeting, where when municipalities are or unorganized territory is involved, has been received by 30 the Commissioner of Environmental Protection and found by the 32 commissioner to be in order, the commissioner shall order the question of the formation of the proposed sanitary district and other questions relating thereto to be submitted to the legal 34 voters residing within the portion of the municipality, municipalities or unorganized territory that falls within the 36 proposed sanitary district. The order must be directed to the 38 municipal officers of the municipality or municipalities that propose to form said sanitary district, and, where when the **`**40 proposed sanitary district includes or is composed solely of unorganized territory, to the commissioners of the county in which the unorganized territory is located, directing them to 42 forthwith call town meetings, city elections or a meeting of the residents of the unorganized territory within the bounds of the 44 proposed sanitary district, as the case may be, for the purpose 46 of voting in favor of or in opposition to each of the following articles or questions, as they may apply, in substantially the following form: 48

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A. To see if the town (or city) of (name of town or city) will vote to incorporate as a sanitary district to be called (name) Sanitary District; B. To see if the residents of the following described section of the town (or city) of (name of town or city) will vote to incorporate as a sanitary district to be called (name) Sanitary District: (legal description of the bounds of section to be included);

C. To see if the residents of the (following described section of) (name of town or city) (unorganized territory) will vote to join with the residents of the (following described section of) (name of town or city) (unorganized territory) to incorporate as a sanitary district to be called (name) Sanitary District: (legal description of the bounds of the proposed sanitary district, except where when district is to be composed of entire municipalities);

D. To see if the inhabitants of the following described section of that unorganized territory known as Township (number), Range (number) will vote to incorporate as a sanitary district to be called (name) Sanitary District: (legal description of the bounds of the proposed sanitary district);

To see if the residents of (the above described section Ε. of) (name of town or city) will vote to approve the total number of trustees and the allocation of representation among the municipalities (and included section of the unorganized territory) board of trustees on as determined by the municipal officers (and the persons representing the included area of unorganized territory) and listed as follows + .

Tetal <u>The total</u> number of trustees will be (number) and the residents of (the above described section of) (town or city) are entitled to (number) trustees (and the residents of the above described section of unorganized territory are entitled to (number) trustees); and

F. To choose (number) trustees to represent the residents of (the above described section) of (town or city) (unorganized territory) on the board of trustees of the (name) Sanitary District.

At any such town meeting, city election or election by the residents of the proposed sanitary district, trustees must be
 chosen to represent the municipality or the unorganized territory within the proposed sanitary district in the manner provided in
 section 1105.

50 Sec. 43. 38 MRSA §1101, last ¶, as affected by PL 1989, c. 890, Pt. A, §40 and amended by Pt. B, §212, is repealed.

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Sec. 44. 38 MRSA §1319-T, as affected by PL 1989, c. 890, Pt. 2 A, §40 and amended by Pt. B, §265, is further amended to read:

4 §1319-T. Criminal provisions

In addition to being subject to civil penalties as provided by section 349, subsection 2 and to criminal penalties as
provided in section 349, subsection 3, conduct described in subsections 1 and 2 shall-be is subject to criminal penalties as
follows.

Penalty provisions. Any person is guilty of a Class C crime and may be punished accordingly if that person, with
 respect to any substance or material which that has been identified as hazardous waste by the board and which-such that
 the person believes may be harmful to human health or knows or has reason to know has been so identified, knowingly:

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A. Transports any such substance or material without, in fact, having a proper license or permit as may be required under this subchapter;

- B. Transports any such substance or material to a waste
 facility knowing or consciously disregarding a risk that such facility does not have a proper license or permit as
 may be required under this subchapter;
- C. Handles any such substance or material without, in fact, having obtained a proper license or permit to do so as may
 be required under this subchapter; or

 D. Handles any such substance or material at any location knowing or consciously disregarding a risk that such location does not have a proper license or permit as may be required under this subchapter for such treatment, storage or disposal.

38 Notwithstanding Title 17-A, section 1301, subsection 1, paragraph A-1, or <u>Title 17-A</u>, <u>section 1301</u>, subsection 3, paragraph D, the 40 fine for such violation shall may not exceed \$50,000 for each day of such violation. In a prosecution under paragraph B or D, the 42 conscious disregard of the risk, when viewed in light of the nature and purpose of the person's conduct and the circumstances 44 known to the person, must involve a gross deviation from the standard of conduct that a reasonable and prudent person would 46 observe in the same situation.

2. Class D crimes. A person is guilty of a Class D crime if, with respect to any substance or material which that, in fact, has been identified as hazardous waste by the board and which-such that the person knows or has reason to believe has

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been so identified or may be harmful to human health, that person
2 knowingly:

A. Establishes, constructs, alters or operates any waste facility for any such substance or material without, in fact, having obtained a proper license or permit as may be required under this subchapter;

Handles substance в. or transports any or material 10 identified as hazardous waste by the board in any manner that violates the terms of any condition, order, rule, 12 license, permit, approval or decision of the board or commissioner with respect to the handling or transporting of 14 that substance or material; or

- 16 C. Gives custody or possession of any such substance or material to any other person whom he <u>that person</u> knows or
 18 has reason to believe:
- 20 (1) Does not have a license or permit to transport or handle such substance or material as may be required
 22 under this subchapter; or

24 (2) Will transport or handle such substance or material in violation of this subchapter or rules
 26 adopted under it.

A person who violates the provisions of this subsection may be punished accordingly, except that, notwithstanding Title 17-A,
 section 1301, subsection 1, paragraph B, or Title 17-A, section 1301, subsection 3, paragraph E, the fine for such violation may not exceed \$25,000 for each day of the violation.

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Sec. 45. PL 1989, c. 600, Pt. A, §22 is amended to read:

Sec. 22. Effective date. The sections of this Act that
 repeals-and-replaces repeal Public Law 1989, chapter 501, Part L,
 section 6 and enact Public Law 1989, chapter 501, Part L, section
 6-A, shall take effect retroactively to June 30, 1989.

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Sec. 46. PL 1989, c. 631 is repealed.

Sec. 47. PL 1989, c. 890, Pt. B, §212, first 3 lines are repealed and the following enacted in their place:

46 Sec. B-212. 38 MRSA §1101, sub-§§1, 3, 4, 6, 7 and last ¶, as amended by PL 1971, c. 618, §12, are further amended to read:

Sec. 48. P&SL 1991, c. 14, §6 is repealed and the following 50 enacted in its place:

	Sec. 6. Local referendum; effective date. This Act takes effect
2	for all purposes when approved by a majority of the legal voters
	of the Town of Lubec present and voting for or against the
4	acceptance of the revision to the charter at the next annual town
	meeting after this Act becomes a law, but if and only if the
б	total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this
	Act in that election equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for
8	all candidates for Governor cast in Lubec at the previous
	gubernatorial election. The election must be called, advertised
10	and conducted according to law relating to municipal elections,
	provided, however, that the board of registration in the Town of
12	Lubec is not required to prepare for posting nor the town clerk
	to post a new list of voters and, for the purpose of registration
14	<u>of voters, the board must be in session the 3 secular days</u>
	<u>preceding such election, the first 2 days thereof to be devoted</u>
16	to registration of voters and the last day to enable the board to
	verify the corrections of the lists and to complete and close up
18	their records of those sessions. The town clerk shall reduce the
	subject of this Act to the following question:
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	"Shall the Lubec Water and Electric District Charter be
22	amended to delete reference to electric service?"
24	The voters shall indicate by a space of a shack much placed
24	The voters shall indicate by a cross or a check mark placed
26	<u>against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. A check list must be used at the election. The result must be</u>
20	declared by the municipal officers and due certificate thereof
28	filed with the Secretary of State by the clerk of the town.
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30	Sec. 49. P&SL 1865, c. 532, §8-A, first ¶, as amended by PL 1979,
	c. 541, Pt. B, §72; PL 1981, c. 470, Pt. B, §13; and PL 1985, c.
32	779, §97, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
34	<u>The trustees of the University of Maine System, or such</u>
	administrators of the University of Maine System as the trustees
36	may designate for this purpose, may appoint persons to act as
	police officers who, within the limits of the property owned by
38	<u>or under the control of the University of Maine System, possess</u>
	all of the powers of police officers in criminal cases and civil
~40	violations.
42	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the
	preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.
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48	Section 1 makes a technical change to correct an internal
50	reference in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 13084,
50	subsection 7.

Page 17-LR2760(1) L.D.1954 Sections 2 and 3 move language that originally was 2 improperly blocked to a subsection and that should apply to the entire section.

Sections 4 and 5 correct cross-references and make a term 6 gender neutral.

8 Section 6 amends Title 14, section 3141, subsection 7. That subsection incorrectly refers to existing statutory sections
10 governing payment of fines as "subsections." Section 6 corrects the error by using the word "sections" and changes the word "in"
12 to "an" in reference to agreements between debtors and creditors under Title 14, section 3125. Section 6 deletes the words "of this Title."

16 Section 7 adds a cross-reference for internal consistency.

18 Sections 8 and 9 relocate language from a subsection, which did not read correctly, to the lead-in paragraph.

Section 10 relocates a conjunction that was inadvertently 22 not relocated when a paragraph was repealed.

24 Section 11 corrects a cross-reference where a subsection was incorrectly referred to as a section.

Sections 12 and 13 correct the punctuation in 2 paragraphs setting the presumptive levels for trafficking in and furnishing LSD. These sections insert commas to make it clear that the paragraphs refer to "compounds" and "mixtures," not "compound mixtures."

Section 14 makes a grammatical change and corrects a 34 cross-reference to a section that was repealed.

36 Section 15 adds a conjunction that was inadvertently omitted when the language was enacted.

Section 16 corrects "civil act" to read "civil action."

Section 17 corrects a chapter title to reflect the 1989 42 change of the "Maine Vocational-Technical Institute System" to the "Maine Technical College System."

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Section 18 corrects grammar and punctuation.

Sections 19 and 20 correct a conflict created by 2 public 48 laws enacting the same section.

50 Section 21 corrects syntax.

Page 18-LR2760(1) L.D.1954 2 Sections 22 and 23 correct a reference to the Maine 2 Residents Property Tax Program. The program was renamed in 1989.

Section 24 repeals a provision of the Maine Insurance Code that requires a nonresident agent or broker to place insurance
through a resident licensed agent. Similar requirements were repealed in 1989 in other parts of the Maine Insurance Code.
Title 24-A, section 1618 appears to have been overlooked.

 Section 25 repeals a provision of the Maine Insurance Code relating to countersignature of health insurance policies sold by
 nonresident agents and brokers. Laws relating to countersignature, which are cross-referenced in Title 24-A,
 section 1679, were repealed in 1989.

16 Section 26 corrects a cross-reference.

18 Section 27 amends a subchapter title to reflect previous amendments to the contents of the subchapter.

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Section 28 makes a change in the definition of wages for 22 purposes of "partial unemployment." This same change was made earlier in the year for purposes of "total unemployment" and 24 should also apply to "partial unemployment" to maintain consistency in the definition of wages.

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Section 29 restores language from former Title 30. Current 28 language inadvertently changed the meaning of a subsection as part of a recodification.

Section 30 changes the effective date of a municipal 32 ordinance providing for a single assessor in towns where the municipal legislative body is the town meeting.

Section 31 corrects a word incorrectly changed in the 36 recodification of Title 30 to Title 30-A.

38 Section 32 corrects a cross-reference.

Section 33 consolidates changes in Title 30-A, section 4406, subsection 1, paragraph E that were made in 2 different public
 laws.

44 Section 34 amends Title 30-A, section 4452, subsection 5, paragraph J to include the defined terms found in the subchapter referenced in that paragraph. Title 30-A, section 4452 provides 46 for the enforcement of land use laws and ordinances. Title 30-A, section 4452, subsection 5 lists some of the laws to which the 48 section applies. Title 30-A, section 4452, subsection 5, paragraph J refers to ordinances adopted under Title 30-A, 50 chapter 183, subchapter I. That subchapter is titled "Automobile Junkyards," but the terms defined are "junkyard" and "automobile 52 graveyard."

Section 35 reorganizes Title 32, section 10604, subsection 1 into a clearer format.

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Section 36 repeals Title 32, section 13863 as enacted by 2 different public laws and replaces it with the language enacted
in Public Law 1989, chapter 895, section 19. The other language is no longer necessary because of the relocation of sunset
language to the Title 3 general sunset provisions.

Sections 37 to 39 correct a conflict created by the enactment of 2 paragraphs with the same designation and relocate a conjunction.

14 Section 40 adds a conjunction that was inadvertently omitted.

Section 41 corrects a reference relating to the application of Title 38, section 11, where a subchapter was incorrectly referred to as a section.

Sections 42 and 43 provide proper blocking format for
 language that was intended to apply to a subsection but is
 currently blocked to apply to the entire section.

24 Section 44 clarifies a cross-reference to Title 17-A, makes grammatical changes and makes a term gender neutral.

Section 45 makes a technical change to correct an improper description of the effect of sections in a previous public law.

Section 46 repeals Public Law 1989, chapter 631. Public Law 1989, chapter 631 affected several sections of law but only on
the contingency that a bond issue be passed. The public law did not have an effective date that limited when the bond issue had
to take place. Because no bond issue was held last year, this section repeals the public law to avoid any possible conflicts in
the use of the section numbering.

38 Section 47 corrects a history line to incorporate all language being amended.

Section 48 makes a technical correction to the referendum 42 procedure to make changes to the Lubec Water and Electric District Charter pursuant to Private and Special Law 1991, 44 chapter 14 to clarify the question to which the referendum applies.

Section 49 corrects potential conflicts where several 48 provisions were enacted without proper history lines.