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### **ACTS AND RESOLVES**

AS PASSED BY THE

## One Hundredth Legislature

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE

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carry out the purpose of this section after hearing, prepare and promulgate a plan meeting such requirements. When the plan or amendments thereto have been approved or promulgated, no insurer shall thereafter issue a policy of automobile and motor vehicle bodily injury and property damage liability insurance or undertake to transact such business in this State unless such insurer shall participate in such an approved or promulgated plan.

If, after hearing, the commissioner finds that any activity or practice of any insurer or rating organization in connection with the operation of the plan is unfair or unreasonable or otherwise inconsistent with this section, he may issue a written order specifying in what respects such activity or practice is unfair or unreasonable or otherwise inconsistent with this section and requiring the discontinuance of such activity or practice.'

Effective September 16, 1961

### Chapter 140

AN ACT Authorizing Municipalities to Record Certain Instruments by Microfilm.

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

R. S., c. 178, § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 178 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Duty of clerk; consent for sale or exchange. The clerk shall record all such mortgages, and all other papers and documents delivered to him and entitled to be recorded, in a book or books kept for that purpose, noting therein and on the mortgage, paper or document the time when it was received; and it. It shall be considered as recorded when received. No consent given by the mortgagee of personal property to the mortgagor for the sale or exchange of the mortgaged personal property shall be valid or be used in evidence in civil process unless in writing and signed by the mortgagee or his assigns. The clerk may, in recording such mortgages, papers and documents, copy the same into a book kept for such purposes or he may bind into such book a photostatic copy thereof or an attested copy thereof or he may microfilm such mortgage papers and documents. The pages of such book shall be numbered consecutively and within 24 hours of the time when such mortgage, paper or other document was received for record, the clerk shall record in a book kept for that purpose, or on cards kept in a file and open to the public, the names of the parties to said mortgage or other document and the book and page or frame of microfilm where the same is recorded shall be added later.'

Effective September 16, 1961

### Chapter 141

AN ACT Relating to Election of Governors and Representative at the Legislature of Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 25, § 371, amended. The first 3 sentences of section 371 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 164 of the public laws of 1957, are amended to read as follows:

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Biennially on the even-numbered years, on the first Tuesday of November, the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians shall hold their election for the choice of governor and lieutenant-governor of each reservation of said tribe, a representative at the Legislature of this State all of whom shall alternate between the a reservations and a tribal committee to consist of 6 members of said tribe from each reservation, all of whom must be at least 21 years of age. The governor governors shall preside over all meetings of the committee and be a member ex-officio. In the absence of the governor, the lieutenant-governor shall preside.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 25, § 371, amended. Section 371 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 164 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended by adding after the first sentence the following sentence:

'The representative at the Legislature of this State shall be chosen alternately between the 2 reservations.'

Effective September 16, 1961

### Chapter 142

AN ACT Relating to the Interstate Compact on Placement of Children.

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

R. S., c. 25-C, additional. The Revised Statutes are amended by adding a new chapter 25-C, to read as follows:

#### 'Chapter 25-C.

Interstate Compact on Placement of Children.

Sec. 1. Compact. The Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children is enacted into law and entered into with all other jurisdictions legally joining therein in form substantially as follows:

Interstate Compact on Placement of Children.

#### Article I.

#### Purpose and Policy.

It is the purpose and policy of the party states to cooperate with each other in the interstate placement of children to the end that each child requiring placement shall receive the maximum opportunity to be placed in a suitable environment and with persons or institutions having appropriate qualifications and facilities to provide a necessary and desirable degree and type of care.

The appropriate authorities in a state where a child is to be placed may have full opportunity to ascertain the circumstances of the proposed placement, thereby promoting full compliance with applicable requirements for the protection of the child.

The proper authorities of the state from which the placement is made may obtain the most complete information on the basis of which to evaluate a projected placement before it is made.