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Chapter 361

AN ACT Providing for Prescription of Generic Drugs Rather Than Brand Names.

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

R. S., T. 32, §§ 2607 and 3155, additional. Title 32 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 2 new sections 2607 and 3155 to read as follows:

§ 2607. Prescriptions for generic drugs

Each osteopathic physician may, when so requested, prescribe the generic drug instead of the brand name drug when in his judgment it will achieve the same results.

§ 3155. Prescriptions for generic drugs

Each physician registered under this chapter may, when so requested, prescribe the generic drug instead of the brand name drug when in his judgment it will achieve the same results.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 362

AN ACT Amending the Law Relating to Home Rule.

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

Whereas, the amendment of local municipal charters has been ceded exclusively to the several municipalities of the State of Maine by the Legislature; and

Whereas, the municipal home rule legislation which enables these changes to be made requires that they be voted on at a regular or special municipal election; and

Whereas, many such changes may be of such a nature as to require action prior to any regular or special municipal election which may be forthcoming; and

Whereas, federal matching funds, bond issues and similar financial transactions may require changes in municipal charters to be made prior to any forthcoming regular or special municipal election in order to receive the funds or issue the bonds; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the fol-