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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Fifth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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THE KNOWLTON AND MCLEARY COMPANY  
FARMINGTON, MAINE  
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bound by such findings or conclusions when acting upon such record, but shall take such action, issue such orders and make such decisions as if it had held and conducted the hearing itself.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective June 7, 1971

## Chapter 415

### AN ACT Increasing Minimum Wages.

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

R. S., T. 26, § 664, amended. The first 2 sentences of section 664 of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed and replaced by chapter 356 of the public laws of 1969, are amended to read as follows:

By reason of the declaration of policy set forth in section 661 and in the protection of the industry or business and in the enhancement of public interest, health, safety and welfare, it is declared unlawful for any employer to employ any employee except as otherwise provided in this subchapter at the rate of less than ~~\$1.60~~ \$1.80 per hour ~~starting October 15, 1969~~; nor work more than 48 hours in ~~any~~ one week, unless 1½ times the regular hourly rate is paid for all work done over 48 hours in any one week; and whenever the highest federal minimum wage is increased in excess of \$1.80 per hour, the minimum wage established under this section shall be increased to the same amount, effective either on the same date as the increase in the highest federal minimum wage or the effective date of this Act, whichever occurs later, but in no case shall the minimum wage exceed \$2 per hour. Except that on October 15, ~~1969~~ 1971 to October 15, ~~1970~~ 1972, those employees in a nursing home or employees in a hospital shall be paid at a rate of no less than ~~\$1.50~~ \$1.60 per hour and thereafter ~~\$1.60~~ \$1.80 per hour.

Effective September 23, 1971

## Chapter 416

### AN ACT Relating to Aid to Municipalities for Outdoor Recreational Facilities.

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

R. S., T. 12, § 602, sub-§ 14, additional. Section 602 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 14 to read as follows:

14. **Municipal Recreation Fund.** To administer a state grant-in-aid fund known as the Municipal Recreation Fund. On municipal projects which are