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instrumentality thereof or by this State or any instrumentality thereof, or insured by a mortgage guaranty insurer in the manner provided by subsection H, or for which there is a commitment to so insure or guarantee.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 215

AN ACT Relating to Fines Levied by the Harness Racing Commission.

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

R. S., T. 8, § 279-B, additional. Title 8 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 279-B to read as follows:

§ 279-B. Fines

In order to maintain proper control of harness racing, the commission is authorized to establish a schedule of fines not to exceed \$50, which may be levied, in lieu of suspension, for the violation of the rules of racing as designated by the commission.

Any party aggrieved by any action taken pursuant to this section may petition the Administrative Hearing Commissioner for a declaratory ruling under Title 5, section 2402.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 216

AN ACT Relating to Appointment of Complaint Justices in the District Court.

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

R. S., T. 4, § 161, repealed and replaced. Section 161 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 420 and section 1 of chapter 434, both of the public laws of 1967, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 161. Complaint justice; appointment; duties; salary

The Chief Judge of the District Court may authorize any attorney-at-law, who is duly licensed to practice law in the State of Maine and who is also a justice of the peace, to receive complaints and to issue process for the arrest of persons charged with offenses, to issue search warrants and to endorse certificates of commitment of the mentally ill, all in accordance with law, and to perform all other such acts and duties that are or may be authorized by law. Such attorney shall be known as a complaint justice.

Any complaint so received or process so issued shall be in his capacity as a justice of the peace.

Such complaint justice shall be authorized to act only in the district of his residence, except when specifically directed to act in another and different district by the Chief Judge of the District Court.

Such complaint justice shall serve at the pleasure of the Chief Judge of the District Court.

Such complaint justice shall receive such salary as shall be determined by the Chief Judge and paid as an expense of the District Court.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 217

AN ACT to Specify the Date for Closing of Open Burning Dumps in Maine.

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

R. S., T. 38, § 361, amended. Section 361 of Title 38 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new sentence at the end of the 8th paragraph to read as follows:

No open burning dump in the State of Maine shall be required, by regulation, to terminate the burning of refuse before July 1, 1975; provided this sentence shall not apply to any regulation that prohibits the open burning of tires or rubber products.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 218

AN ACT Relating to Size of Voting Places.

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

- R. S., T. 21, § 602, sub-§ 4, additional. Section 602 of Title 21 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new subsection 4 to read as follows:
- 4. Size. Municipalities must provide a polling place of sufficient size to allow at least one worker from each political party to remain outside the guardrail for the purpose of checking voters, challenging voters or viewing. Upon written complaint to the Secretary of State by the chairman of either state committee no later than 7 days prior to an election, the Secretary of State shall authorize an inspection of the polling place deemed to be too small to allow party workers access. If the Secretary of State finds a polling place to be too small to allow party workers access, he shall instruct the municipal