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CHAPTER 471

AN ACT to Exempt Hairdressers who Hold Booth Licenses from Eligibility for Unemployment Compensation.

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

Whereas, under the present law, a hairdresser who holds a booth license and operates a separate business within another hairdressing establishment is subject to unemployment compensation; and

Whereas, such person is an independent operator who only pays rent to a landlord and is actually not an employee under the unemployment compensation law; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to prevent unjust discrimination against such persons; 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:

R. S., T. 26, § 1043, sub-§ 11, ¶ F, sub-¶ (29), additional. Paragraph F of subsection 11 of section 1043 of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subparagraph to read as follows:

(29) Services performed by a hairdresser who holds a booth license and operates a separate business within another hairdressing establishment.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall become effective July 1, 1973.

Effective July 1, 1973

CHAPTER 472

AN ACT Authorizing Use of Maine Turnpike by Legislators.

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

R. S., T. 3, § 2, amended. The first sentence of section 2 of Title 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

Each member of the Senate and House of Representatives shall receive \$2.500 in the first year and \$1,000 in the 2nd year of each biennium, and shall be paid for travel at each legislative session once each week at the same rate

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per mile to and from his place of abode as state employees receive, the mileage to be determined by the most reasonable direct route, except that Legislators may be reimbursed for tolls paid for travel on the Maine Turnpike provided they have a receipt for payment of the tolls, such tolls to be reimbursed where Legislators use the Maine Turnpike in traveling to and from sessions of the Legislature or in performance of duly authorized committee assignments.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 473

AN ACT to Improve the Efficiency and Fairness of the Local Welfare System.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 22, § 4459-A, additional. Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 4459-A to read as follows:

§ 4459-A. Establishment of rules and regulations

A program for municipal support of the poor under this chapter shall be operated and administered in accordance with written rules and regulations. Such rules and regulations shall include standards of eligibility, governing need and amount of assistance, for the receipt of general assistance. Such rules and regulations shall be available in the town office and otherwise easily accessible to any member of the public. Notice to that effect shall be posted.

Each municipality shall, no later than 90 days from the effective date of this Act, promulgate written standards of eligibility for relief. Such standards shall:

1. Applications. Provide that all individuals wishing to make application for relief shall have opportunity to do so, and that relief shall be furnished, within municipal guidelines, within 24 hours of the date of submission of an application, to all eligible applicants.

Within 6 months after the effective date of this Act, each municipality shall present to the Commissioner of Health and Welfare, for filing, a copy of the rules and regulations. Any amendment or modification of the municipal welfare rules and regulations shall be submitted to the commissioner for filing.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 22, §§ 4497-4499, additional. Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 3 new sections 4497 to 4499, to read as follows:

§ 4497. Grant, denial, reduction or termination to be communicated in writing; right to a hearing

Any action relative to the grant, denial, reduction, suspension or termination of relief provided under this chapter must be communicated to the appli-