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CHAPTER 525

AN ACT Declaring Maine's Sovereignty for 200 Miles Seaward from its Boundaries.

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

R. S., T. 1, § 2, sub-§ 2-A, additional. Section 2 of Title 1 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new subsection 2-A, to read as follows:

2-A. —harvesting. The State of Maine declares that it owns and shall control the harvesting of the living resources of the seas adjoining the coast-line for a distance of 200 miles or to the furthest edge of the Continental Shelf, whichever is greater, subject only to the boundary with Canada. Control over the harvesting of these living resources shall be by licenses or permits issued by the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries;

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 526

AN ACT Relating to Town's Matching Funds for Resurfacing State Aid Highways.

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

R. S., T. 23, § 1104, amended. The first paragraph of section 1104 of Title 23 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

If any town shall in a single year increase its appropriation for state aid roads to an amount of 4 or 6 times the maximum amount which it may annually appropriate under section 1101 for use only in reconstructing improved state aid highways or in maintaining, including resurfacing, of improved state aid highways outside compact or built up sections of highway as defined in section 754, the department shall from any balance of said fund for state aid highways, and subject to section 1105, apportion a like increase of state aid. The proposed locations and type of work proposed under this section shall be subject to the approval of the Department of Transportation.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 527

AN ACT to Establish a State Mortgage Assistance Program.

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

R. S., T. 30, § 4651, sub-§ 12, additional. Section 4651 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 12 to read as follows:

12. Mortgage assistance payments. Pursuant to the purposes of this Act to provide housing for persons of low income, the State Housing Authority shall have the power to make payments and binding commitments, subject to the Authority's receipt of sufficient funds to honor said commitments from periodic appropriations from appropriate sources, to continue said payments if necessary over the life of the mortgage to mortgagors or to mortgagees on behalf of low income persons to reduce interest costs on market rate mortgages to as low as 1%. No commitment made by the Authority under this subsection shall be construed to commit the faith and credit of the State of Maine.

Persons benefiting from these mortgage assistance payments shall, according to guidelines to be included in said mortgage agreements, be required to pay a larger interest payment as their ability to pay increases.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 528

AN ACT Giving Powers of Arrest to State House Security Officer.

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

R. S., T. 5, § 1773, amended. The first paragraph of section 1773 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The Director of Public Improvements is authorized and empowered to appoint and employ, subject to the Personnel Law, security officers who shall have the powers of arrest of a sheriff in the Capitol Area, parks, grounds, buildings and appurtenances owned or leased by the State at the seat of government.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 529

AN ACT Revising the Motor Vehicle Dealer Licensing Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, c. 5, sub-c. III-A, additional. Chapter 5 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new subchapter III-A, to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER III-A

REGISTRATION OF DEALERS AND TRANSPORTERS

§ 341. Definitions

As used in this subchapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following words shall have the following meanings.