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LAWS

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STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Sixth Legislature

1ST SPECIAL SESSION

JANUARY 2, 1974 TO MARCH 29, 1974

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THE KNOWLTON AND McLeary Company Farmington, Maine 1975

PUBLIC LAWS

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January 2, 1974

to

March 29, 1974

- A. One hundred cans when the stated net weight of the contents is under 7 ounces;
- B. Forty-eight cans when the stated net weight of the contents is 7 ounces or over.
- Sec. 2. R. S., T. 32, § 4156, amended. Section 4156 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read as follows:

All products packed in hermetically sealed containers which are not classified as sardines, but have herring as their predominant contents are assessed 5¢ a case with payment being made and disposal of the funds handled in the same manner and for the same purposes as set forth in the first paragraph of this section.

Effective June 28, 1974

CHAPTER 659

AN ACT Relating to the Regulation and Control of Dogs.

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

R. S., T. 7, § 3458, additional. Title 7 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 3458 to read as follows:

§ 3458. Local regulations

Municipalities of this State are empowered to adopt or retain more stringent ordinances, laws or regulations dealing with the subject matter of this chapter. Any less restrictive municipal ordinances, laws or regulations dealing with the subject matter of this chapter are invalid and of no force and superseded by this chapter.

Effective June 28, 1974

CHAPTER 660

AN ACT Clarifying Sprinkler System Requirements in Boarding Homes.

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

Whereas, it was the intent of chapter 187 of the public laws of 1973 to exclude boarding or lodging homes having 6 or less boarders or lodgers from all provisions of the Life Safety Code; and

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Whereas, said chapter did not accomplish the intended change; and

Whereas, said chapter has created administrative uncertainties and confusion in interpreting legislative intent; 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. 25, § 2452, amended. The first paragraph of section 2452 of Title 25 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

The Commissioner of Public Safety shall adopt and may amend, after notice and public hearing, reasonable rules and regulations governing exits in all buildings or other structures within his jurisdiction. Such regulations shall not apply to boarding or lodging homes having 5 6 or less boarders or lodgers or to nursing homes having 3 or less patients. Automatic sprinkler systems shall not be required in boarding homes prior to July 4, 1969 and thereafter shall not be required in boarding homes having 6 or less boarders or lodgers.

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

Effective January 31, 1974

CHAPTER 661

AN ACT to Permit Counties to Accept and Expend State and Federal Grants.

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

Whereas, the authorization and funding of federal programs varies with each congress; and

Whereas, it is essential that applications for federal funding be made timely; and

Whereas, counties may be eligible to receive funds between legislative sessions, it is essential that this Act become effective immediately; 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,