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§ 822-A. Right of entry

The officers, agents and employees of the Department of Transportation shall have the right to enter in and upon property of any railroad corporation for the purpose of inspecting railroad-highway crossings and attendant facilities, including grade separation facilities.

Sec. 6. 35 MRSA § 1178 is amended to read:

§ 1178. Speed limit at highway grade crossings

The **Publie Utilities Commission** Department of Transportation is authorized to fix a maximum speed limit at which trains may be run over any grade crossing of a highway or other way and, when such limit has been fixed by said commission Department of Transportation, no engine or train shall be run over such crossings at a greater speed than that fixed by the commission Department of Transportation and no way shall be unreasonably and negligently obstructed by engines, tenders or cars. Any railroad corporation forfeits not more than \$100 for every violation of this section.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 243

AN ACT to Expand the Right-to-Know Law to Cover the Boards of Trustees of the University of Maine and of the Maine Maritime Academy.

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

I MRSA § 402, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 433, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 402. Public proceedings defined

The term "public proceedings" as used in this subchapter shall mean the transactions of any functions affecting any or all citizens of the State by any administrative or legislative body of the State, or of any of its counties or municipalities, or of any other political subdivision of the State or of the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine or of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Maritime Academy, with which function it is charged under any statute or under any rule or regulation of such administrative or legislative body or agency.

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CHAPTER 244

AN ACT Concerning the Powers of Officers of Religious Societies.

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

13 MRSA § 2982, 5th sentence is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof: