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boardinghouse, lodging house, campground or restaurant any article of property belonging to or in use in such establishment shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months, or by both.

§ 2854-B. Damage to hotel property

Any guest, boarder, occupant or other person in a hotel, inn, boardinghouse, lodging house, campground or restaurant who intentionally destroys or damages any property belonging to or in use in such establishment is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months, or by both.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 296

AN ACT Relating to the Osteopathic Student Loan Fund.

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

20 MRSA § 2242, as last amended by PL 1971, c. 610, § 22, is further amended by adding after the first paragraph a new paragraph to read as follows:

The program shall be a continuing one. The commissioner shall include in his biennial budget an appropriate request adequate to fund the loan program.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 297

AN ACT to Amend the Site Location of Development Statute.

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

38 MRSA § 482, sub-§ 2, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 625, § 276, is further amended to read:

2. **Development which may substantially affect the environment.** "Development which may substantially affect the environment," in this Article called "development," means any state, municipal, quasi-municipal, educational, charitable, commercial or industrial development, including subdivisions, ~~but excluding state highways and state aid highways, which requires a license from the board, or~~ which occupies a land or water area in excess of 20 acres, or which contemplates drilling for or excavating natural resources, on land or under water where the area affected is in excess of 60,000 square feet, or which is a structure; but excluding state highways, state aid highways, and, ~~excluding~~ borrow pits for sand, fill or gravel, of less than 5 acres or when regulated by the Department of Transportation and pits of less than 5 acres, ~~or which occupies on a single parcel a structure or structures in excess of a ground area of 60,000 square feet.~~

No person shall construct or cause to be constructed or operate or cause to be operated, or in the case of a subdivision sell, offer for sale, or cause to be sold, any development requiring approval under section 483 without first having obtained approval for such construction, operation or sale from the Board of Environmental Protection.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 298

AN ACT Relating to Minimum Finance Charges Under the Maine Consumer Credit Code.

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

Sec. 1. 9-A MRSA § 2-201, sub-§ 6, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 762, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

6. Notwithstanding subsection 2, the seller may contract for and receive a minimum charge of not more than:

- A. Five dollars when the amount financed does not exceed \$75;
- B. Seven dollars and fifty cents when the amount financed exceeds \$75, but is less than \$250; or
- C. Twenty-five dollars when the amount financed is \$250 or more and when, within 30 days from the date of the transaction, the agreement is assigned by the seller, other than a seller of motor vehicles, to an assignee having no corporate relationship to the seller-assignor.

Sec. 2. 9-A MRSA § 2-401, sub-§ 7, is enacted to read:

7. Notwithstanding subsection 2, the lender may contract for and receive a minimum charge of not more than:

- A. Five dollars when the amount financed does not exceed \$75;
- B. Seven dollars and fifty cents when the amount financed exceeds \$75, but is less than \$250; or
- C. Twenty-five dollars when the amount financed is \$250 or more.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 299

AN ACT to Enable the State to Recover 100% of the Cost of Extended Benefits under Certain Conditions as Provided by Federal Legislation.

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA § 1195, sub-§ 1, ¶ G, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 753, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof: