

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS  
OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE  
AS PASSED BY THE  
One Hundred and Sixth Legislature  
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THE KNOWLTON AND MCLEARY COMPANY  
FARMINGTON, MAINE  
1975

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PUBLIC LAWS  
OF THE  
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**Sec. 2.** 17 MRSA § 341, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 735, § 3, is amended to read:

**§ 341. Limits on games of chance**

A licensed game of chance shall be limited as to the amount to be gambled for any one chance to 25¢, except that a raffle chance may not exceed the amount of \$1 and an organization may operate and conduct a game of cards and charge no more than \$1 daily entry fee for participation in such game of cards provided that no money or valuable thing other than the \$1 daily entry fee is gambled in connection with such game of cards.

Effective October 1, 1975

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## CHAPTER 350

### AN ACT to Redefine the Term "Payable in Instalments" under the Maine Consumer Credit Code.

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

Whereas, the Maine Consumer Credit Code, Title 9-A, presently includes jurisdiction over consumer credit sales where payment of the sale takes more than 4 payments even though no finance charge is made on the sale; and

Whereas, many merchants and professional persons in the State have historically entered into such informal agreements without the imposition of a finance charge and may not continue to do so, to the detriment of consumers, if the agreements are subject to the code; and

Whereas, the following legislation is necessary to insure the continuation of such informal agreements; 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:*

**Sec. 1.** 9-A MRSA § 1-301, sub-§ 28, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 762, § 1, is amended to read:

"Payable in instalments" means that payment is required or permitted by agreement to be made in (a) 2 or more periodic payments, excluding a down payment, with respect to a debt arising from a consumer credit sale pursuant to which a finance charge is made, ~~(b) 4 or more periodic payments, excluding a down payment, with respect to a debt arising from a consumer credit sale pursuant to which no finance charge is made or~~ (e) (b) 2 or more periodic payments with respect to a debt arising from a consumer loan.

**Sec. 2.** 9-A MRSA § 1-301, sub-§ 28, last sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 762, § 1, is repealed.

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

Effective May 27, 1975

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## CHAPTER 351

### AN ACT Relating to Issuing of Fishing and Hunting Licenses.

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

Whereas, the State is presently in a time of fiscal crisis and has an urgent need for additional revenue and economies; and

Whereas, enactment of this bill will provide an additional income to the State of \$25,000 to \$45,000; and

Whereas, the fishing and hunting seasons are near at hand and thus the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game soon will experience its greatest demand for licenses to hunt and fish; and

Whereas, this proposed legislation concerns the statutes regulating hunting and fishing licenses; 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:*

**Sec. 1.** 12 MRSA § 2401-B, sub-§ 4, as enacted by PL 1971, c. 409, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

4. Holders of Congressional Medal of Honor; complimentary licenses. The Governor may grant 2-year complimentary hunting and fishing licenses to holders of the Congressional Medal of Honor, upon their application therefor.

**Sec. 2.** 12 MRSA § 2401-B, sub-§§ 9, 11, 12 and 15, as enacted by PL 1971, c. 409, § 2, are repealed.

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

Effective May 27, 1975