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#### CHAPTER 352

#### AN ACT to Increase the Minimum Wage to \$2.30 an Hour.

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

26 MRSA § 664, first sentence, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 752, § 1, is further amended to read:

By reason of the declaration of policy set forth in section 661 and in the protection of the industry or business and in the enhancement of public interest, health, safety and welfare, it is declared unlawful for any employer to employ any employee, except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, at the rate of less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  \$2.30 per hour; or to require any employee to nor work more than 40 hours in one week, unless  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the regular hourly rate is paid for all work done over 40 hours in any one week; and whenever the highest federal minimum wage is increased in excess of  $\frac{2}{2}$  \$2.30 per hour, the minimum wage established under this section shall be increased to the same amount, effective on the same date as the increase in the highest federal minimum wage, but in no case shall the minimum wage exceed \$3 per hour.

Effective October 1, 1975

#### **CHAPTER 353**

#### AN ACT to Provide for Supervision of Elections By Municipal Clerks.

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

21 MRSA § 531, as last amended by PL 1967, c. 225, § 3, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

#### § 531. Wardens and ward clerks

In a city, the election, term of office, compensation and partial duties of wardens and ward clerks are determined by the city charter. Additional duties are prescribed by this Title. In a town, unless otherwise determined by charter, the clerk of the municipality shall be the supervisor of all elections, shall, with approval of the municipal officers, appoint a warden and may appoint one or more deputy wardens to assist in the duties on election day. The clerk may designate himself or herself as warden or deputy warden but neither the warden nor any deputy warden shall be an officer of a municipal committee of a political party. Deputy wardens shall perform the duties of the warden when necessary and shall not be utilized to replace election clerks prescribed by this Title. The warden and deputy wardens shall be registered voters of the municipality. The clerk may appoint special deputies to help perform his duties on election day. The clerk, warden and deputies shall be paid a reasonable compensation as determined by the municipal officers.