

# 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  
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE  
One Hundred and Seventh Legislature

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**CHAPTER 364****AN ACT** Relating to the Officials, Judges and Starters  
at Harness Horse Race Meets.

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

8 MRSA § 279-C is enacted to read:

§ 279-C. Officials, judges and starters; powers and duties

At all harness race meetings licensed by the commission in accordance with this chapter, qualified judges and starters, approved and licensed by the commission and employed by the licensee under section 271, shall enforce the rules and regulations of the commission as provided by sections 279-A and 279-B.

Such officials shall render daily written reports of the activities and conduct of such race meeting and their decisions to the commission.

Any person affected by the decision of such officials may request a hearing before the commission.

Effective October 1, 1975

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**CHAPTER 365****AN ACT** Relating to Payments to Nursing Homes.

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA § 1708 is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 1708. Appropriations for aid of public and private hospitals  
and nursing homes

1. Compensation for hospitals. Such sums of money as may be appropriated by the Legislature in aid of public and private hospitals shall be expended under the direction of the department, and the expense of administration shall be charged to the appropriation of that department for general administration. The department is authorized to compensate hospitals located in the State of New Hampshire within 15 miles from the Maine - New Hampshire state line or hospitals located in the Provinces of Quebec or New Brunswick, Canada, within 5 miles of the international boundary, for cases where the hospital care is for persons resident in the State of Maine and, in the judgment of the commissioner, adequate local hospital facilities are not available. The department may compensate hospitals at such rates as it may establish for hospital care of persons whose resources or the resources of whose responsible relatives are insufficient therefor, except as provided in subsection 2. Bills itemizing the expenses of such hospital care, when approved by the department and audited by the State Controller, shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.