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PUBLIC LAWS

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The Governor shall immediately cause such reports to be edited with regard to content, arrangement and brevity, except that the constitutional officers elected by the Legislature, the Legislative Council and the Chief Justice and the University of Maine and the Maine Maritime Academy shall approve any editing of their respective reports.

The Governor shall consolidate such reports and shall cause them to be printed and published in convenient form for distribution and sale as a public document entitled "The Maine State Government Annual Report" no later than December 31st.

The State Purchasing Agent shall distribute a reasonable number of copies of the report to each reporting agency, to legislative staff agencies and to each member of the Legislature, or, in the even-numbered years, to each member-elect taking office the following January. Eighty copies of the report shall be delivered to the State Librarian for exchange and library use. The State Purchasing Agent shall prorate the cost of the report among the reporting agencies. He shall provide for the sale of additional copies of the report to state agencies and the public at a reasonable price sufficient to cover the cost of printing and distribution. The income received under this section shall be credited to an Intragovernmental Service Account which shall be carried forward and expended by the State Purchasing Agent for the purposes of sections 43 through 46.

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA § 45, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 612, is amended to read:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Governor may discontinue the publication of any other annual or biannual biennial report which duplicates the report material provided for in section 43, except for reports of the constitutional officers elected by the Legislature, and reports of the legislative and judicial branches of government, the University of Maine and the Maine Maritime Academy.

Sec. 5. 5 MRSA § 46, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 612, is amended to read:

Descriptions of expenditures under all funds and accounts shall be made in using generally the following categories and subcategories:

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 437

AN ACT to Increase Protection under the Uninsured Motorist Law. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

- Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §2902, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 132, §1, is amended to read:
- 1. No policy insuring against liability arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of any motor vehicle shall be delivered or issued for delivery in this State with respect to any such vehicle registered or principally

garaged in this State, unless coverage is provided therein or supplemental thereto for the protection of persons insured thereunder who are legally entitled to recover damages from owners or operators of uninsured, underinsured or hit-and-run motor vehicles, for bodily injury, sickness or disease, including death, resulting from the ownership, maintenance or use of such uninsured, underinsured or hit-and-run motor vehicle. The coverage herein required may be referred to as "uninsured vehicle coverage." For the purposes of this section, "underinsured motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle for which coverage is provided, but in amounts less than the minimum limits for bodily injury liability insurance provided for under the motorist's financial responsibility laws of this State or less than the limits of the injured party's uninsured vehicle coverage.

- Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2902, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 132, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:
- 2. The amount of coverage to be so provided shall be not less than the amount of coverage for liability for bodily injury or death in the policy offered or sold to a purchaser unless the purchaser rejects such amount, but in any event shall not be less than the minimum limits for bodily injury liability insurance provided for under the motorist's financial responsibility laws of this State.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 438

AN ACT Relating to Reports of Soil Suitability in Municipalities which have Adopted Shoreland Zoning Ordinances.

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

12 MRSA § 4812-A, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 564, § 4, is amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read:

Any other law notwithstanding, when a zoning ordinance adopted in conformance with this section requires a written report of soil suitability for subsurface waste disposal or commercial or industrial development, such report shall be prepared and signed by the person who has made the evaluation of soil properties. Persons qualified to prepare such reports shall be persons certified by the Department of Health and Welfare, including: Maine State Certified Soil Scientists, Maine Registered Professional Engineers, Maine State Certified Geologists and other persons who have training and experience specifically in the recognition and evaluation of soil properties and can provide proof of such training and experience in a manner specified by the department. The Department of Health and Welfare may promulgate rules and regulations for the purpose of establishing training and experience standards required by this paragraph.