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LAWS
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STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE
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1975

PUBLIC LAWS
OF THE
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CHAPTER 488

AN ACT Clarifying the Title to Real Estate Included in a Divorce Decree.

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

19 MRSA § 725, as last amended by PL 1971, c. 622, § 61-E, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 725. Descent of real estate in divorce

Any rights acquired under sections 721 and 723 on or before December 31, 1971 and all rights under section 722-A by a party in the real estate of a party are effectual against any person when the decree of divorce, or an abstract thereof setting forth the names and residence of the parties, the date of the decree and the court where granted, is filed in the registry of deeds for the county or registry district where the real estate is situated. The recording of such a decree or abstract, in the manner provided herein, shall have the force and effect of a quitclaim deed releasing all interest in the real estate described in said decree or abstract, whether such interest is in fee or by statute.

The clerk of the court in which the divorce is granted shall at the expiration of any appeal period from such decree make and send such an abstract, for recording, by registered mail, or deliver said abstract, to such registry or registeries as required.

When a divorce has been granted out of the State, the plaintiff, or his attorney, shall cause a duly authenticated copy of such order to be recorded with the register of deeds in each of the counties where the real estate or any part thereof is situated.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 489

AN ACT to Prohibit the Arbitrary Imposition of Certain Fuel Charges by Electric Power Utilities.

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

Sec. 1. 35 MRSA c. 5, sub-c. II, is enacted to read:

SUBCHAPTER II

FUEL CHARGE OF ELECTRIC UTILITY

§ 131. Billing; regulations; reports; approval

1. Billing. The cost of any and all fuel used by an electric utility in generating or supplying electricity to a customer shall be included in the itemized fuel charge and shall be billed at a single uniform rate per kilowatt-hour used by a customer. Such fuel charge shall be the fuel rate multiplied by the number of kilowatt-hours used by a customer. The fuel rate shall be uniform for