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### LAWS

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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AT THE

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### **PUBLIC LAWS**

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and needs of the bureau commission. The report shall list the construction projects initiated, completed and proposed during the next biennium in the Capitol Area since the last report. The bureau commission shall recommend such revisions of the plan as from time to time become necessary or desirable for the orderly development of the Capitol Area.

Sec. 6. 5 MRSA § 306, as enacted by PL 1967, c. 458, § 1 and as amended by PL 1971, c. 615, § 14, is further amended to read:

#### § 306. Contributions

The Bureau of Public Improvements commission may accept gifts, bequests and federal funds for purposes consistent with the objectives of this chapter. Such gifts and bequests shall be used solely to carry out the purposes for which they were made.

Effective July 29, 1976

#### CHAPTER 648

AN ACT Extending the Legislative Lifetime and Reporting Deadlines of the Commission on Maine's Future, and Allowing for Expenditures of Previously Appropriated Funds Throughout the Revised Lifetime of the Commission.

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

Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the end of the current fiscal year; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, the Commission on Maine's Future requires an additional 4 months until November 1, 1977, to complete its work; and

Whereas, an amendment seems required to protect from lapsing funds previously appropriated for commission and to allow for their use throughout the revised lifetime of the commission; 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. 5 MRSA § 3322, 2nd  $\P$ , 2nd sentence, as enacted by PL 1975. c. 623. § 5, is amended to read:

This chapter shall have a legislated lifetime until June 30, 1977 November 1, 1977 and all appointed members shall serve terms expired on that date.

- Sec. 2. 5 MRSA § 3323, sub-§ 6, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 623, § 5, is amended to read:
- 6. A preliminary draft of the formal final report on commission activities to be submitted not later than June 30, 1977.
  - Sec. 3. 5 MRSA § 3323, sub-§ 7 is enacted to read:
- 7. A formal final report on commission activities to be submitted not later than November 1, 1977.
- Sec. 4. Unallocated funds to be protected for commission use. The \$30,000 appropriated by P&SL 1975, c. 78 under the caption "GENERAL GOVERNMENT, EXECUTIVE, Current Services," in the "Unallocated" category within the State Planning Office for 1975-76 and the \$30,000 placed in the same category for 1976-77 shall be protected for the use of the Commission on Maine's Future throughout its lifetime as revised above, meaning that any unexpended balances at June 30, 1976 and June 30, 1977 shall not lapse, but shall carry forward to be expended for the same purposes.

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

Effective February 20, 1976

### CHAPTER 649

AN ACT Delaying the Effective Date of the Maine Criminal Code in Order to Allow Sufficient Time for Necessary Revisions.

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

Whereas, the Maine Criminal Code, as enacted by the 107th Legislature will become effective March 1, 1976 and several sections have been identified which are in need of amendment, correction or clarification before this code becomes operative; and

Whereas, there is presently a bill (L. D. 2217) pending before the current Special Session of the 107th Legislature which contains the aforesaid amendments, corrections and clarifications; and

Whereas, it is deemed appropriate and necessary for an orderly transition by the courts, law enforcement agencies, District Attorneys and the public