

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS  
OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Seventh Legislature

AT THE

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One Hundred and Seventh Legislature  
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mortgage or mortgage discharge, or partial release of mortgage deed, or deeds which, without additional consideration, confirm, correct, modify or supplement a previously recorded deed, when offered for recording, shall be accompanied by a statement or declaration prepared in duplicate and signed, subject to the penalties of perjury, by the parties to the transaction or their authorized representatives, declaring the consideration for ~~and the value of~~ the property thereby transferred.

Effective July 29, 1976

## CHAPTER 656

### AN ACT to Revise Definition of "Case" under Sardine Tax Law.

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

36 MRSA § 4692, sub-§ 1, ¶ F is enacted to read:

F. 48 round cans or any other type of container of sardines with net weight of contents exceeding 7 ounces or 100 round cans of sardines or any other type of container, with net weight of 7 ounces and under, also any other items packed and labeled as sardines regardless of shape or make of container with the same number of cans and net weight provisions for round cans applicable.

Effective July 29, 1976

## CHAPTER 657

### AN ACT Authorizing the Legislative Council to Accept Grants from Public and Private Agencies.

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

Whereas, there has arisen the possibility of a private grant to fund a study currently before the Legislature; and

Whereas, the formalities for applying for a grant are often lengthy and time consuming; and

Whereas, the importance and complexity of the study in question demands

that an outside consultant be hired as soon as possible to assist the Legislature in its work; 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:*

**3 MRSA § 162, sub-§ 16** is enacted to read:

16. To accept, use, expend and dispose on behalf of the State funds, equipment, supplies and materials from any agency of the United States, from any private foundation and from any other private source.

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

Effective March 1, 1976

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## CHAPTER 658

### AN ACT to Include Mail Order Merchants and Creditors Under the Maine Consumer Credit Code.

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

Whereas, an oversight in the enactment of the Maine Consumer Credit Code has allowed a number of mail order merchants and lending institutions to extend a substantial amount of openend credit to Maine consumers without being in compliance with the credit code; and

Whereas, such an oversight has allowed these mail order merchants and creditors to engage in practices and charge interest rates prohibited by the credit code; 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:*

**9-A MRSA § 1-201, sub-§ 2**, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 762, § 1, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

**This Act applies if the creditor induces consumers who are residents of this**