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## LAWS

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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### **PUBLIC LAWS**

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to sell, subject to the approval of the Governor and Council, by quitclaim deed all right, title and interest of the State in a certain lot or parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in the City of Augusta in Vickery Square so called and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly side of Court Street with the easterly side of Chapel Street;

thence easterly by the side of Court Street 239.7 feet to an iron pin in the northwesterly corner of lot numbered 6 shown on a plan of Vickery Square made by Henry F. Hill in February and March, 1930, and duly recorded in the Kennebec Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 9, Page 36;

thence southerly and along the westerly side line of lot numbered 6, 92 feet to an iron pin in lot numbered 7 of said plan;

thence westerly and parallel with the northerly side line of Weston Street 7.4 feet to an iron pin in the northeasterly corner of lot 8 shown on said plan;

thence from said point continuing westerly and along the northerly side line of said lot numbered 8 to a point which marks the northwesterly corner of that portion of lot numbered 8 which was conveyed by Needlecraft Publishing Company to Joseph P. Williams by deed dated December 4, 1940, and recorded in said Registry in Book 770, Page 197;

thence from said point southerly and along the westerly side line of land conveyed in said deed to said Williams, which line is easterly of and parallel to the westerly side line of lot 8 shown on said plan and 2 feet westerly of the dwelling house then on said land, to the northerly side of Weston Street;

thence westerly by the northerly side of Weston Street to the easterly side of Chapel Street;

thence northerly by the easterly side of Chapel Street to the point or place of beginning for an amount determined by the director to be fair market value. The director shall cause notice to be published of the availability of the said building and surrounding land in a newspaper of general circulation in the area in advance of any sale thereof.

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

Effective May 3, 1976

### CHAPTER 778

AN ACT Relating to a Cost-of-Living Adjustment for State Retirees.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA § 1124, sub-§ 4, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 622, § 55, is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

There shall be an increase of 6% applied to payments made under subsection I, paragraph B, effective July I, 1976 to be paid from funds of the Maine State Retirement System; provided, that notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter, the next general salary increase after July I, 1976 shall cause a percentage increase of these payments equal to the percentage of general salary increase less the 6% adjustment granted under this paragraph.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA § 1128, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 622, § 62, is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

There shall be an adjustment of 6% made to retirement allowances for all retired state employees, retired teachers or beneficiaries of either, effective July 1, 1976 to be paid from funds of the Maine State Retirement System; provided, that notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter, the next general salary increase after July 1, 1976 shall cause a percentage increase of retirement allowances equal to the percentage of general salary increase less the 6% adjustment granted under this paragraph.

- Sec. 3. Application. The limitations of P & SL 1973, chapter 224, section 3, shall apply to the adjustments made under this Act.
- Sec. 4. Supplemental security income; mandatory and optional payments. It is the intent of the Legislature that any increases in the Federal Supplemental Security Income benefit levels, effective the same month as the federal increase takes effect, shall be passed along in the same total dollar amount of any such increase to each beneficiary in the optional program and to each beneficiary in the mandatory program who has not reached the state ceiling.

The Department of Human Services shall immediately take action necessary to raise, effective July 1st, the state ceiling for an individual and for a couple in the same total dollar amount as the federal SSI increase. Such passalong of a federal benefit increase shall not be made to individuals in foster homes or boarding homes. In the event that funds are available and without limiting the pass-alongs outlined herein, the department may, in its discretion, provide for increased payment rates to foster homes and boarding homes.

Any unexpended balance of this account shall not be transferred to another account and shall not lapse, but shall be carried forward in the same account from year to year to be expended for the same purpose.

Effective September 13, 1976

### CHAPTER 779

AN ACT Relating to Definition of Retail Sale under Sales and Use Tax Laws.

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