

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS  
OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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Any foreign copromoter who violates any provision of this chapter or any rule and regulation promulgated thereunder shall be guilty of a Class D crime.

§ 137. Accident insurance

The commission shall have the authority, in its discretion, to make and promulgate rules requiring coverage by accident insurance in the event of injury or death for persons competing in properly licensed professional wrestling matches, shows or exhibitions, as defined in this chapter. Insurance, if required, shall comply with standards prescribed by the Superintendent of Insurance.

§ 138. Rules and regulations

The commission shall issue to each promoter a printed form, which shall be returned to the commission by registered letter mailed within 48 hours of the completion of a professional wrestling match, show or exhibition held under this chapter, on which there shall be a list of the names of the contestants with the signed statement of a physician stating that he examined them within 10 hours of the match, show or exhibition and found them to be in good physical condition. It shall contain the signed statement of the promoter stating the results of each match, show or exhibition, the name of the referee and the gross receipts.

§ 139. Taxes

The promoter or promoters of all professional wrestling matches, shows or exhibitions held under this chapter shall pay to the Treasurer of State, for credit to the General Fund, a tax of 3% of the gross receipts from professional matches, shows or exhibitions. This tax shall have been paid to the Treasurer of State by the last day of the month following the month in which a match, show or exhibition is held. Upon failure to pay the tax to the Treasurer of State, the promoter or promoters shall be liable to pay a penalty of 25% of the amount of the tax due, which penalty shall be recovered by a civil action brought in the name of the commission, and the penalty if recovered shall be paid to the Treasurer of State to be credited to the General Fund. On the failure of any promoter or promoters to pay a tax, the commission shall revoke the promoter's license.

§ 140. Decisions

In all professional wrestling matches, shows or exhibitions conducted under this chapter, there may be a decision as to the winner by the referee.

Effective October 24, 1977

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## CHAPTER 14

**AN ACT Concerning Approval of Marriage by the Judge of Probate after the Filing of Objections.**

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

19 MRSA § 92 is amended to read:

§ 92. Filing of cautions

Any person, believing that parties are about to contract marriage when either of them cannot lawfully do so, may file a caution and the reasons therefor in the office of the clerk where notice of their intentions should be filed. Then, if either party applies to enter such notice, the clerk shall withhold the certificate until a decision is made by ~~a justice of the peace the probate court judge from the district involved~~, approving the marriage, after due notice to and hearing all concerned, provided the person filing the caution shall within 7 days thereafter procure the decision of such ~~justice probate court judge unless they certify~~ ~~he certifies~~ that further time is necessary for the purpose. In such case a certificate shall be withheld until the expiration of the certified time. He shall, finally, deliver or withhold the certificate in accordance with the final decision of said ~~justice judge~~. If the decision is against the sufficiency, the ~~justice judge~~ shall enter judgment against the applicant for costs, and issue execution therefor.

Effective October 24, 1977

## CHAPTER 15

### AN ACT Relating to Expiration Date of Dance Licenses.

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

8 MRSA § 161, 4th ¶, 2nd sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1967, c. 265, is amended to read:

All dancing licenses issued shall expire ~~December 31st of each year~~ one year from date of issue unless sooner revoked.

Effective October 24, 1977

## CHAPTER 16

### AN ACT to Amend the Laws Relating to Adoption Proceedings.

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

19 MRSA § 533, 1st ¶, last sentence is amended to read: