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lic of necessary information concerning such environmental permits; the provision of assistance to applicants in obtaining such permits from all such agencies; the coordination of application procedures, time schedules, application forms and similar requirements so as to reduce delay and duplication of effort by the applicant and the issuing agencies. Such permit issuing agencies shall cooperate with the Department of Environmental Protection in the development and effectuation of such coordination and assistance procedures.

Effective October 24, 1977

### CHAPTER 214

#### AN ACT to Establish Arbor Week.

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

Sec. 1. 1 MRSA c. 5, 1st 2 lines, are repealed and the following enacted in their place:

#### CHAPTER 5

#### COMMEMORATIVE DAYS AND WEEKS

Sec. 2. I MRSA § III is repealed.

Sec. 3. I MRSA § III-A is enacted to read:

§ 111-A. Arbor Week

The Governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the 3rd full week in May as Arbor Week, recommending its observance by the public in the planting of trees, shrubs and vines, in the promotion of forest growth and culture, in the adornment of public and private grounds, places and ways, and in such other efforts and undertakings as shall harmonize with the general character of the week. He shall recommend that such week be observed in rural and suburban schools by exercises appropriate to Arbor Week.

Effective October 24, 1977

### CHAPTER 215

AN ACT Relating to the Establishment of a Revolving Account for Local Educational Assessment.

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

- 20 MRSA § 102, 3rd ¶, sub-§ 1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
- 1. General supervision; evaluation plan; revolving account. To exercise a general supervision of all the public schools and to advise and direct the town committees and superintendents in the discharge of their duties, by circular letters and personal conference, devoting all his time to the duties of his office;
  - A. The administrative units may participate in a statewide student performance evaluation plan, "Maine Assessment of Educational Progress," by paying to the department an annual fee as set by the commissioner. The fee thus received by the department shall be placed in a special, nonlapsing, revolving account.
    - (1) The commissioner shall use the money in this account to pay for the costs of administering, analyzing and reporting the results of the evaluations performed on behalf of the participating administrative units.
    - (2) Costs relating to the participation of any administrative unit in the "Maine Assessment of Educational Progress" shall not be considered in calculations of the actual costs of education for purposes of reimbursement under the provisions of chapter 512-A.

Effective October 24, 1977

### CHAPTER 216

AN ACT Relating to Training Municipal Fire Departments, Incorporated Volunteer Fire Departments and Fire Brigades.

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

Sec. 1. 20 MRSA § 2551, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 571, § 72, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

#### § 2551. Program

The commissioner shall have the authority to conduct a program to provide training for members of municipal fire departments, incorporated volunteer fire departments, industrial and institutional fire brigades.

Sec. 2. 20 MRSA § 2552, as amended by PL 1973, c. 571, § 47, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 2552. Advisory committee