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4. Agreement. If the commission finds that the place does have an offensive name, it shall endeavor to accomplish a change in the name by an agreement with the municipal officers or county commissioners to initiate and implement the actions required to change the name, as provided in Title 1, section 1104.

5. Civil action by commission. If the commission is unable to obtain an agreement under subsection 4 or if the agreement is not carried out, the commission shall file in the Superior Court a civil action seeking such relief as is appropriate.

6. Procedure in Superior Court. Any action filed by the commission pursuant to subsection 5 shall be heard by the Superior Court and shall be subject to the following provisions:

A. The court shall hear the case and grant relief as in other civil actions for injunctions.

B. Any such action shall be brought in the name of the commission.

C. Any person aggrieved by the alleged offensive name may intervene in such an action.

D. In no such action brought by the commission shall any injunction bond be required; nor shall damages be assessed for the wrongful issuance of an injunction.

E. If the court finds that a place has an offensive name, its judgment shall specify an appropriate remedy. Such remedy shall include an order requiring the municipal officers or county commissioners:

(1) To initiate procedures, which may be described in the order, for changing the name of the place, and

(2) To have completed the change of name and the notification as required in Title 1, section 1104, within 90 days of the issuance of the order.

Sec. 4. Name change required. Niggerhead Island, located in Stonington, Hancock County, and owned by Freeborn G. Jewett of Lyme, Connecticut, is hereby renamed Sprout Island. The municipal officers of Stonington shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Act, notify Freeborn G. Jewett and the Maine Commissioner of Conservation, the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior and other public agencies, boards, committees or other groups responsible for changing names of places and for ensuring that such name changes appear on maps and other public documents, that the name of this island has been changed to Sprout Island.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 260

AN ACT Relating to Conduct of Examinations.

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

24-A MRSA § 1523, sub-§ 2, as amended by PL 1973, c. 585, § 12, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

2. The superintendent shall make examinations available to applicants at least once a month in Augusta.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 261

AN ACT to Authorize the University of Maine to Execute a Charitable Gift Annuity with a Donor.

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA § 2501, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 560, § 2, is further amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

No provision of this chapter shall apply to annuity agreements executed under chapter 30.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA c. 30 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 30

ANNUITY AGREEMENTS WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE

§ 2571. Eligibility

The University of Maine may receive transfers of property, conditioned upon its agreement to pay an annuity to the transferer or his nominee, after obtaining from the superintendent a certificate of authority to do so.

§ 2572. Certificate of authority

The University of Maine, hereafter in this chapter called the "university," shall not transact in this State the business described in this chapter without first procuring a certificate of authority from the superintendent for that purpose. Application for this certificate shall be made on a form prescribed by the commissioner accompanied by a filing fee of \$25. This certificate shall not be granted until the university conforms to the requirements of this chapter and the laws of this State prerequisite to its issue. After its issue the university shall continue to comply with the requirements of this chapter and the laws of this State. Where a hearing is held under this section the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with chapter 3 and the superintendent shall have all of the powers granted in that chapter.