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AT THE

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This requirement shall apply to each campaign defined in section 1412.

Sec. 7. 21 MRSA § 1413, sub-§ 2, ¶ D, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 575, § 17, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence to read:

This requirement shall apply to each campaign defined in section 1412.

Sec. 8. 21 MRSA § 1413, sub-§ 2, ¶ E, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 575, § 17, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence to read:

This requirement shall apply to each campaign defined in section 1412.

Sec. 9. 21 MRSA § 1413, sub-§ 2, ¶ F, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 575, § 17, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

F. The disposition of any surplus or deficit in excess of \$50 shown in the reports described in paragraph E shall be reported to the commission on the first day of each quarter of this State's fiscal year, until the surplus shall have been disposed of or such deficit shall have been liquidated. The reports shall set forth any contributions for the purpose of liquidating the deficit, in the same manner as contributions are set forth in other reports required in this section.

Sec. 10. 21 MRSA § 1414, sub-§ 3, 2nd sentence, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 575, § 17, is amended to read:

The person shall preserve all receipted bills and accounts required to be kept by this section for 2 years following the final report required to be filed for the campaign or referendum to which they pertain, unless otherwise ordered by the commission or a court.

Effective July 6, 1978

CHAPTER 590

AN ACT Concerning the Discount Factor and Capitalization Rate in the Tree Growth Tax Statutes.

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

Whereas, this Act is necessary if the discount factor and capitalization rate determined by February 1, 1978 are to affect the April 1, 1978 property tax assessments of properties classified under the tree growth tax law; and

Whereas, unless this Act takes effect sooner than 90 days before the adjournment of the second regular session of the 108th Legislature, the new discount factor and capitalization rate will not be effective until April 1, 1979; 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:

36 MRSA § 576-B, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 549, § 5, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

The discount factor and capitalization rate determined by February 1, 1978, shall be utilized in redetermining the 100% valuation per acre for each forest type for each county for tax year 1978. All average annual gross wood production rates and average stumpage values previously determined for tax years 1977 and 1978 shall also be used to redetermine the 100% valuation per acre for each forest type for each county for tax year 1978.

The 100% valuation per acre for each forest type for each county for tax year 1978 shall be deposited in the office of the Secretary of State by March 1, 1978, and shall be transmitted to the municipal assessors of each municipality on or before April 1, 1978.

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

Effective February 9, 1978

CHAPTER 591

AN ACT to Amend the Maine Tort Claims Act.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA § 1510, sub-§1, 1st ¶, 1st sentence, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 313, and as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 771, § 69, is amended to read:

Every claim against the State or any of its agents which ~~is~~ **can not be** submitted or paid under a specific statutory provision other than this section and which does not exceed the sum of \$2,000, shall be submitted to the State Claims Board, which shall approve, partially approve or disapprove that claim.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA § 1510, sub-§1, 1st ¶, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 313 and as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 771, § 69, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence to read: