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### LAWS

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## **PUBLIC LAWS**

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2. The initial and annual renewal fees for certification as a geologist or soil scientist shall be fixed at \$15 \$20.

Effective September 14, 1979

### CHAPTER 35

S. P. 171 — L. D. 371

AN ACT Concerning the Maine Property Insurance Cancellation Control Act and to Make Nonpayment to an Agent Equivalent to Nonpayment to the Insurer.

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

**24-A MRSA § 3049**, as amended by PL 1977, c. 414, § 1, is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"Nonpayment of premium" means failure of the named insured to discharge when due any of his obligations in connection with the payment of premium on the policy, or any installment of a premium, whether the premium is payable directly to the insurer or its agent or indirectly under any premium finance plan or extension of credit.

Effective September 14, 1979

#### CHAPTER 36

S. P. 191 — L. D. 458

AN ACT Increasing the Number of Laymen on the Judicial Council.

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

4 MRSA § 451, next to last sentence, as amended by PL 1975, c. 771, § 21, is further amended to read:

The council shall be composed of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, who shall also serve as chairman, the Attorney General, the Chief Judge of the District Court, and the Dean of the University of Maine School of Law, each to serve ex officio, and an Active or Retired Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, 2 Justices of the Superior Court, one Judge of the District Court, one judge of a

probate court, one clerk of the judicial courts, 2 members of the bar and 3 6 laymen, to be appointed by the Governor.

Effective September 14, 1979

### CHAPTER 37

H. P. 57 — L. D. 66

AN ACT to Change the Date on Which the Annual Sessions of the County Commissioners are Held.

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

**30 MRSA § 151,** as amended by PL 1969, c. 99, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 151. Sessions; times; places

The county commissioners shall hold sessions in the shire town of each county at least 3 times annually in 3 different months and at other times or other places which they may designate.

Effective September 14, 1979

### CHAPTER 38

H. P. 315 — L. D. 421

AN ACT Relating to the Wholesale Sale of Malt Liquor and Wine.

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

28 MRSA § 654 is enacted to read:

§ 654. Reports of domestic manufacturers and foreign wholesalers

All breweries, wineries, vintners, brokers, importers and out-of-state wholesalers shall obtain a certificate of approval from the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages. Licensed Maine wholesalers appointed by them as exclusive distributors for specific brands of alcoholic beverages cannot be terminated as