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**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

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insurance company shall file with the commission notice, in such form as the commission approves, of the issuance of any workers' compensation policy to a person electing personal coverage. That insurance shall not be cancelled within the time limited in that policy for its expiration until at least 30 days after mailing a notice of the cancellation of that insurance to the commissioner and the person electing personal coverage. In the event that the person electing personal coverage has obtained a workers' compensation insurance policy from another insurance company, and that insurance becomes effective prior to the expiration of the 30 days, cancellation shall be effective as of the effective date of the other insurance.

Effective September 14, 1979

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## CHAPTER 65

H. P. 461 — L. D. 574

**AN ACT Concerning the Release of Certain Information Furnished for the Filing of Liens for Support Payments.**

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

19 MRSA § 503, sub-§ 1, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 532, § 3, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

1. **Filing.** The lien shall attach to all nonexempt real and personal property of the responsible parent when the department files, in the registry of deeds of any county or with any office appropriate for a notice with respect to personal property, a certificate which states the name of the responsible parent, his address, the amount of the child support debt accrued, the date of the decision or notice of debt by which the debt was assessed and the name and address of the authorized agent of the department who issues the lien.

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## CHAPTER 66

H. P. 139 — L. D. 158

**AN ACT to Require Personnel Files to Include Medical Records and Nurses' Station Notes.**

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

**Sec. 1. 26 MRSA § 631, last sentence,** as enacted by PL 1975, c. 694, § 2, is amended to read:

For the purpose of this section, a personnel file shall include, but not be limited to, any formal or informal employee evaluations and reports relating to the employee's character, credit, work habits, compensation and benefits **and nonprivileged medical records or nurses' station notes relating to the employee** which the employer has in his possession.

**Sec. 2. 26 MRSA § 631,** as enacted by PL 1975, c. 694, § 2, is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read:

**Any employer who, following a request pursuant to this section, without good cause fails to provide an opportunity for review of a personnel file, within 10 days of receipt of that request, shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$25 for each day that such a failure continues. The total penalty may not exceed \$500.**

Effective September 14, 1979

## CHAPTER 67

S. P. 128 — L. D. 306

**AN ACT Relating to Appropriation of Funds for Assistant District Attorneys.**

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

**Sec. 1. 30 MRSA § 554-A, sub-§ 1, 2nd ¶, first sentence,** as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 579, § E, § 3, is amended to read:

Each district **attorney** may designate one full-time **assistant** district attorney or, if there is no full-time **assistant** district attorney, one part-time **assistant** district attorney to be his deputy.

**Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 554-A, sub-§ 5,** as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 579, § E, § 5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**5. Compensation for assistant district attorneys. Each district attorney shall include in the budget he submits to the State an amount for the salaries of his assistant district attorneys. The Attorney General shall not alter these estimates. The appropriations act shall indicate the amount approved for assistant district attorneys in each prosecutorial district.**

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