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of a value of ~~\$5,000~~ **\$6,500** and designate that portion as exempt from sale. If the householder fails to so designate such portion, the whole of the property shall be sold and the proceeds of said sale shall be distributed as follows:

1. To the householder in the amount of ~~\$5,000~~ **\$6,500**; and said ~~\$5,000~~ **\$6,500** shall remain exempt from attachment and execution by any creditor for a period of one year. At the end of said period, if the ~~\$5,000~~ **\$6,500** is not reinvested in property which qualifies for a homestead exemption, the ~~\$5,000~~ **\$6,500** shall become subject to attachment and execution;

Sec. 3. Effective date. This bill shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Effective July 1, 1980

CHAPTER 76

S. P. 202 — L. D. 534

AN ACT to Establish a Sign on the Maine Turnpike for Lost Valley.

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

23 MRSA § 1201, sub-§ 31 is enacted to read:

31. **Lost Valley Ski Area.** Such sign shall be constructed and maintained on the Maine Turnpike between exits 11 and 12 and shall be worded as follows:

LOST VALLEY SKI AREA - Next Exit

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 77

H. P. 361 — L. D. 470

AN ACT to Permit Participating Local Districts of the Maine State Retirement System to Discontinue Special Retirement Benefits Prospectively.

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

5 MRSA § 1092, sub-§ 3, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 622, § 23, is further amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

Thereafter, the participating local district, by filing with the board of trustees a duly certified copy of its action, may discontinue any such benefit as to employees in a class hired after the effective date of the action only, and may thereupon substitute for the benefit any other benefit provided for by this chapter, including any other benefit under this subsection.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 78

H. P. 307 — L. D. 402

An Act to Define Employer's Rights after Failure to File a Separation Report in Unemployment Compensation Cases.

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

26 MRSA § 1194, sub-§ 2, 5th ¶, 2nd and 3rd sentences, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 710, § 2, are repealed and the following enacted in their place:

If the employer's separation report containing possible disqualifying information is received after the 10-day period and the claimant is denied benefits by a revised deputy's decision, benefits paid prior to the date of the revised decision shall not constitute an overpayment of benefits. Any benefits paid after the date of the revised decision shall constitute an overpayment.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 79

H. P. 548 — L. D. 679

AN ACT to Clarify Sex Discrimination in the Maine Human Rights Act.

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

5 MRSA § 4572-A is enacted to read:

§ 4572-A. Unlawful employment discrimination on the basis of sex

1. Sex defined. For the purpose of this Act, the word "sex" includes pregnancy and medical conditions which result from pregnancy.