

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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This chapter does not prohibit one or more geologists or soil scientists from practicing through the medium of a sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation or government agency. In such partnership or corporation whose primary activity consists of geological services, or in a government agency in which geological work is done, at least one partner, officer or employee shall be a certified geologist. In such partnership or corporation whose primary activity consists of soil science services, or in a government agency in which soil science work is done, at least one partner, officer or employee shall be a certified soil scientist. In the case of an agency of State Government, the Department of Personnel shall classify officers and employees under the Personnel Law in a manner that ensures that at least one certified geologist or soil scientist shall work for each agency in which, as the case may be, geological or soil science work is done and that any officer or employee who is engaged in the practice of geology or soil science and who is uncertified works as a subordinate to a certified geologist or soil scientist, as the case may be, and does not have responsible charge of work or evaluation.

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA § 4906, sub-§ 4, as amended by PL 1975, c. 760, § 6, is further amended to read:

4. **United States Government employees.** Officers and employees of the State of Maine and the Government of the United States while engaged within this State in the practice of the profession of geologist or soil scientist for the government; and

Sec. 3. **Transition provision.** Any person who, on the effective date of this Act, is an officer or employee of the State and working as a geologist or soil scientist within the meaning of Title 32, chapter 73, shall be exempt from that chapter until such time as the board notifies applicants of the results of the first examination for which person is qualified and reasonably able to sit.

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## CHAPTER 90

H. P. 643 — L. D. 796

**AN ACT to Centralize the Administration of Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act Petitions Filed in the State of Maine by the Official Child Support Agency of Another State.**

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

Sec. 1. 19 MRSA § 332, sub-§ 10 is enacted to read:

10. **Title IV-D case.** "Title IV-D case" refers to an action initiated by any state or state agency responsible for enforcing child support obligations pursuant to United States Code, Title 42, section 651 et seq., as amended.

Sec. 2. 19 MRSA § 403, as amended by PL 1971, c. 393, § 12, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**§ 403. Order of support**

If the court of the responding state finds a duty of support, it may order the obligor to furnish support or reimbursement therefor and subject the property of the obligor to that order. Support orders made pursuant to this Act shall require that payments be made to the clerk of the court of the responding state. If the matter is a Title IV-D case, support orders made pursuant to this Act shall require that payments be made to the cashier section of the Department of Human Services. For Title IV-D cases in which the responding court has previously established a support order, the department shall not be required to seek an amendment to the support order in order to direct payments to the Department of Human Services. The obligor shall commence payment to the State upon notice from the department. The court and district attorney of any county in which the obligor is present or has property have the same powers and duties to enforce the order as have those of the county in which it was first issued. If enforcement is impossible or cannot be completed in the county in which the order was issued, the district attorney shall send a certified copy of the order to the district attorney of any county in which it appears that proceedings would be effective. The district attorney to whom the certified copy of the order is forwarded shall proceed with enforcement and report the results of the proceedings to the court first issuing the order.

Sec. 3. 19 MRSA § 406, as amended by PL 1971, c. 393, § 14, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**§ 406. Additional duties of court in this State when acting as responding state**

The court of this State when acting as responding state shall have the following duties which may be carried out through the clerk of the court, except in Title IV-D cases, which shall be carried out through the Department of Human Services:

1. Transmit payments. Upon receipt of a payment made by the obligor pursuant to any order of the court or otherwise, to transmit the same to the court of the initiating state or a Title IV-D agency in the initiating state; and

2. Certified statement of payments. Upon request to furnish to the court of the initiating state, or a Title IV-D agency in the initiating state, a certified statement of all payments made by the obligor.

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**CHAPTER 91**

**S. P. 107 — L. D. 212**

**AN ACT to Restrict the Placing of Hazardous Objects on Utility Poles.**