

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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2. **Animal severely injured.** A veterinarian or a humane agent or a state approved humane shelter manager may authorize in writing, the immediate euthanasia of a severely injured or sick animal if the following conditions are met.

- A. The clerk of the municipality has been notified in accordance with subsection 1 of the animal's presence.
- B. The animal is not rabid or suspected of rabies.
- C. The animal's recovery from his injury or illness, given reasonable time and care, is doubtful.

3. **Dog sick or injured.** A veterinarian may authorize in writing euthanasia of a sick or injured dog received by him, by a humane agent or by a shelter manager within the State if:

- A. Forty eight hours have elapsed since receipt of the sick or injured dog by him, by the humane agent or by the shelter;
- B. The clerk of the municipality has been notified in accordance with subsection 1 of the dog's presence;
- C. The dog is not rabid or suspected of rabies; and
- D. The dog's recovery from his sickness or injury, given reasonable time and reasonable care, is doubtful.

A veterinarian, a humane agent or a shelter manager shall not be civilly liable to any party for authorization made in accordance with this subsection, nor shall any person performing euthanasia under that authorization.

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CHAPTER 122

H. P. 827 — L. D. 1025

AN ACT Concerning the Governor and Council of the Penobscot Indian Tribe.

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

22 MRSA § 4793, 4th ¶, last sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 130, § 2, is repealed as follows:

~~Tribal members who have been convicted of a felony shall not be permitted to hold any tribal office, either elective or appointive~~

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CHAPTER 123

S. P. 114 — L. D. 204

AN ACT Concerning the Period of Liability of a Financial Institution on a Written Instrument under the Abandoned Property Statute.

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

Sec. 1. 33 MRSA § 1304, sub-§ 2, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 707, § 8, is amended to read:

Any sum payable on a check certified in the State or on any written instrument, **except a traveler's check or money order**, issued in the State on which a financial institution is directly liable shall be presumed abandoned if, within 10 years from the date payable, or from the date of issuance, if payable on demand, the owner has not:

Sec. 2. 33 MRSA § 1304, sub-§ 3, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 707, § 8, is amended to read:

Any sum payable on a traveler's check **or money order** ~~or a similar written instrument~~ on which a financial institution or other business association is directly liable shall be presumed abandoned if, within 15 years from the date payable, or from the date of issuance, if payable on demand, the owner has not:

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 124

S. P. 58 — L. D. 91

AN ACT to Require that Fairs meet Qualifications Standards before they are Entitled to Receive Money from the Stipend Fund.

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