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CHAPTER 131

H. P. 172 — L. D. 218

AN ACT Authorizing the Postponement of National School Lunch Programs.

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

20 MRSA § 1053, sub-§ 9, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 62, is amended to read:

An administrative unit, which had been authorized by the commissioner as of September 1, 1976, to postpone the establishment of a National School Lunch Program, may apply to the commissioner to postpone the establishment of the program for an additional 3 years; **an administrative unit which has been granted a postponement of 3 years may apply to the commissioner every 3 years for an additional 3-year postponement.** The commissioner, with the authorization of the board, may grant the requested postponement provided:

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 132

H. P. 421 — L. D. 516

AN ACT Relating to Attorney's Fees when Expenses are Paid in Workers' Compensation Cases.

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

Sec. 1. 39 MRSA § 103, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 709, § 6, is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

No attorney who represents an employee before the commission shall receive any fee from that client for that representation. Any attorney who violates this paragraph shall lose his fee and shall be liable in a court suit to pay damages to the client equal to 2 times the fee charged that client.

Sec. 2. 39 MRSA § 110, as last amended by PL 1965, c. 489, § 9, is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

No attorney representing an employee in a proceeding under this Title shall receive any fee from that client for an appearance before the commission,

including preparation for that appearance. Any attorney who violates this paragraph shall lose his fee and shall be liable in a court suit to pay damages to the client equal to 2 times the fee charged for that client.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 133

H. P. 485 — L. D. 615

AN ACT Relating to Lines of Credit Authority of Credit Unions.

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

Sec. 1. 9-B MRSA § 857, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 500, § 1, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 9-B MRSA § 857-A is enacted to read:

§ 857-A. Lines of credit

1. **Authorization; limitations.** Subject to the limitations set forth in section 853, the credit committee of a credit union may approve a line of credit to a member upon written application by the member, and advances may be made to that member within the limits of that extension of credit. A line of credit given pursuant to this section shall expire no later than 12 months after its approval unless renewed in the same manner in which it was originally given, but no additional loan applications shall be required from the member so long as the aggregate obligation outstanding at any time does not exceed the specified limit of that extension of credit.

2. **Repayment.** Repayment of advances made pursuant to a line of credit shall be on such terms as shall be mutually agreed upon by the member and the credit union.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 134

H. P. 484 — L. D. 614

AN ACT Relating to Guaranty Fund Requirements for Credit Unions.

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

Sec. 1. 9-B MRSA § 832, sub-§ 2, ¶¶ A and B, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 500, § 1,