

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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that damage to that motor vehicle for compensation. For purposes of this section, a person shall be considered to have appraised damage to a motor vehicle if he appraises the damage or has a direct substantial personal financial interest in the appraisal. A person shall be considered to have repaired damage to a motor vehicle if he repairs the damage or has a direct substantial personal financial interest in the repair.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 172

H. P. 601 — L. D. 748

AN ACT Concerning Appeals to the Superior Court.

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

Sec. 1. 14 MRSA § 6008, last sentence, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

When the defendant appeals, the Superior Court Judge may stay the issuance of a writ of possession pending disposition of the appeal. The judge shall, in all appropriate cases, condition the granting and continuation of the stay on the defendant's payment of the rent for the premises into an escrow account to be administered by the clerk of the Superior Court. The appeal decision or an agreement of the parties shall provide for the disposition of the escrowed rent.

Sec. 2. 14 MRSA § 6009 is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 6009. Judgment for plaintiff; possession on recognizance; damages

When judgment is rendered for the plaintiff a writ of possession may issue in all cases if he recognizes to the defendant in the manner before provided, conditioned to pay all such damages and costs as may be awarded against him if final judgment is rendered for the defendant. When either party appeals, the plaintiff may give evidence of any claim for rent of the premises, to be set off against damages claimed by the defendant.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 173

H. P. 472 — L. D. 590

AN ACT to Define the Post of Sheriff as Full Time and to Increase the Salary of that Post.

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

Sec. 1. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ E, sub-¶ (3), relating to HANCOCK COUNTY, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 657, § 6, is further amended to read:

(3) Sheriff	12,000	\$13,300
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Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 909, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 657, § 17, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 909. County sheriff to be full time

The office of county sheriff shall be a full-time office in each county.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 174

H. P. 73 — L. D. 82

AN ACT Relating to Weights of Commercial Vehicles.

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

29 MRSA, § 1652, sub-§ 2, ¶ B, sub-¶ (2), as enacted by PL 1975, c. 237, § 4, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

(2) No single axle of a tandem axle unit shall support more than 60% of the total weight supported by such tandem axle unit. It shall not be deemed a violation of this subparagraph if neither axle of a tandem axle unit exceeds the weight legally allowed on a single axle unit of that vehicle;

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 175

H. P. 176 — L. D. 210

AN ACT to Provide an Effective Penalty Under the Labor Laws for Violation of the Statute Requiring a Written Statement of Reason for Termination of Employment.

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