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superintendent shall review the annual operating expenses allocable to the coverage of risks in the State as provided pursuant to subsection 3, paragraph A, subparagraph (3), and the annual insurance expense exhibits filed by each carrier with the bureau. The superintendent shall make a finding as to whether the expense allowances in the filing are reasonably related to the aggregate amount of operating expenses reported by all carriers and, if he determines that they are not, then he shall not approve the filing.

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CHAPTER 212

H. P. 698 — L. D. 909

AN ACT to Require that Certain Information be Provided by Insulation Installers.

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

10 MRSA § 1485 is enacted to read:

§ 1485. Development of insulation fact sheet

The State Office of Energy Resources shall prepare, and shall keep current, an informational pamphlet concerning insulation materials being used in the State. The pamphlet shall discuss the characteristics of these insulation materials and the positive and negative effects which may result following installation of these materials. The pamphlet shall also include, but shall not be limited to:

1. **Moisture.** Information concerning moisture travel through buildings and the need for proper ventilation or the need for vapor barriers following installation of insulation;
2. **Safety.** Information concerning safety factors, including the flammability and toxicity of various types of insulation;
3. **Installation.** Guidelines for proper installation of insulation materials to avoid problems of moisture and to avoid any safety hazards;
4. **Installation contracts.** A narrative description of the requirements of this chapter and its provisions; and
5. **Other information.** Such other information as the State Office of Energy Resources shall deem necessary or appropriate.

The State Office of Energy Resources shall furnish this pamphlet, upon request,

to any citizen of this State without charge.

Every person in the State who installs insulation for compensation shall, prior to entering into any contract or agreement for the installation of insulation in any residence, furnish to the owner or lessee of the residence a copy of the pamphlet published pursuant to this section.

Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be subject to the forfeiture provisions of section 1483.

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CHAPTER 213

H. P. 826 — L. D. 1024

AN ACT Prohibiting any Person from Selling or Offering for Sale or Exchange to a Minor any Product which Seeks to Imitate an Alcoholic Beverage by Looks, Taste and Smell.

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

28 MRSA § 1058-A is enacted to read:

§ 1058-A. Sale of imitation alcoholic beverages

No person, firm or corporation shall sell or offer for sale or exchange to any minor any product containing less than 1/2 of 1% alcohol by volume which seeks to imitate by appearance, taste and smell an alcoholic beverage or which is designed to carry the impression to the purchaser that the beverage has an alcoholic content, including, but not limited to, products bearing the brand names "Near Beer," "Brew" or "Champaigne-0."

The following products shall be excluded from the prohibitions of this section:

1. Soft drinks. Products commonly known as "root beer," "ginger ale," "cider" and all soft drinks;
2. Other beverages. Beverages containing more than 1/2 of 1% alcohol by volume; and
3. Food flavorings. Articles such as vanilla extract, lemon extract and other food flavorings commonly used for cooking and flavoring.

Any person violating the provisions of this section is guilty of a Class E crime.

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