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In an appeal before a board of county commissioners, the decision of the commissioners shall be governed by the standards set forth in this section.

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## CHAPTER 411

H. P. 690 — L. D. 862

**AN ACT Concerning the Maine Property Insurance Cancellation Control Act.**

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA § 3048, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 239, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

Any policy written for a term longer than one year or with no fixed expiration date shall be considered, for purposes of this subchapter, written for successive policy terms of one year.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA § 3049, next to last ¶, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 239, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

This section shall not apply to any policy or coverage which has been in effect less than 60 days at the time notice of cancellation is received by the named insured, or 90 days in the case of residential property other than the insured's primary residence which is expected to be continuously unoccupied for 3 months in any 12-month period, unless it is a renewal policy.

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## CHAPTER 412

S. P. 169 — L. D. 370

**AN ACT to Increase the Term of Special Licenses under the Marine Resources Law.**

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

12 MRSA § 6074, sub-§ 6, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661, § 5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**6. Renewal.**

A. The initial issuance of each special license shall specify the number of times the license may be renewed after the initial issuance. Each license may be renewed at least 4 times. The commissioner, with the advice and consent of the advisory council may authorize up to 19 renewals, if the necessary investment in the research or aquaculture requires additional renewals.

B. The commissioner shall annually renew the license on request for the authorized number of renewals, unless the license holder has not complied with the conditions of the license, or the commissioner finds that renewal is not in the best interest of the State. Renewals shall not require a new application nor filing fee and shall not require the advice and consent of the advisory council.

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**CHAPTER 413**

S. P. 220 — L. D. 604

**AN ACT to Require Parental Notification of a Minor's Abortion.**

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

22 MRSA § 1597 is enacted to read:

**§ 1597. Parental notification of minor's decision to have an abortion**

1. **Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following terms shall have the following meanings.

A. "Emancipated" means the person has surrendered the rights of a minor in relation to her parent's duties to her and that the parents have surrendered the care, custody and earnings of the minor.

B. "Minor" means a person who is less than 17 years of age.

2. **Notice required.** A person shall not perform an abortion on an unemancipated minor without first giving notice to one of her parents or guardians of his intention to perform that abortion or notifying the Department of Human Services of his inability to give notice. Notice shall be given as follows.

A. The person who will perform the abortion shall give actual notice at least 24 hours before performing the abortion.