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the Unorganized Territory Education and Services Fund for administrative expenses connected with the assessment of those taxes. The intent of the Legislature is to permit the administration of all real and personal property taxes in the unorganized territory through the Unorganized Territory Education and Services Fund as a matter of convenience and economy.

§ 1607. Meaning of letters used in lists

In the lists made by the State Tax Assessor, in accordance with this chapter, for purposes of valuation and assessment, the following initial letters mean as follows: The letter "T." when used alone means Township; the letter "R." when used alone means Range; the letter "N." when used alone means North; "E." means East; "S." means South; "W." means West; the letters "N.W." means North West; "N.E." means North East; "S.W." means South West; and "S.E." means South East.

The letters "W.E.L.S." means West of the East Line of the State; "B.K.P." means Bingham's Kennebec Purchase; "B.P.P." means Bingham's Penobscot Purchase; "N.B.P.P." means North of Bingham's Penobscot Purchase; "W.B.K.P." means West of Bingham's Kennebec Purchase; "N.B.K.P." means North of Bingham's Kennebec Purchase; "W.K.R." means West of the Kennebec River; "E.K.R." means East of the Kennebec River; "E.C.R." means East of the Canada Road; "W.C.R." means West of the Canada road; "N.W.P." means North of Waldo Patent; "T.S." means Titcomb Survey; "E.D." means East Division; "M.D." means Middle Division; "N.D." means North Division; and "S.D." means South Division.

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## CHAPTER 667

H. P. 1935 — L. D. 1986

### AN ACT to Permit Optional Life Insurance for the Comaker of a Debt.

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

Sec. 1. 9-B MRSA § 443, sub-§ 7 is enacted to read:

7. Authorized insurance. A financial institution, while acting as a creditor may make insurance available to the extent authorized by Titles 9-A and 24-A. In so doing, a financial institution which makes life insurance available pursuant to Title 24-A, section 2604 where the indebtedness is secured to the creditor by a mortgage on real estate with an initial term exceeding 15 years, and where a separate charge is made to the debtor for that insurance, shall make the insurance available jointly to the debtor and not more than one comaker of the indebtedness,

provided that both are individually and jointly liable to repay the indebtedness. The foregoing shall not be deemed to restrict the insurer's right to require all debtors to meet the requirements of the applicable policy in order to become insured. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the insurance on the life of one debtor only, if desired by the debtor.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA § 2604, sub-§ 7, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 369, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

7. Notwithstanding subsection 1, in the case of a group policy issued pursuant to this section which provides life insurance on the term plan upon the lives of persons indebted to a creditor, where the indebtedness is secured to the creditor by a mortgage on real estate, with an initial term exceeding 15 years, where the insurance is afforded on an optional basis, and where a separate charge is made to the debtor by the creditor for the insurance, both the debtor and not more than one comaker of the indebtedness shall be eligible to apply for insurance jointly under the group policy, provided that both of them are individually and jointly liable to repay the indebtedness. The foregoing shall not be held to restrict the right of an insurer to require satisfactory evidence of insurability of any person requesting the insurance, nor to preclude those exclusions from eligibility for insurance under such a group policy as may be contained therein. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit insurance on the life of one debtor only, if desired by the debtor.

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## CHAPTER 668

S. P. 793 — L. D. 1991

**AN ACT to Remove Sex Bias and Facilitate Enforcement of Support Obligations.**

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

**Sec. 1. 14 MRSA § 252, first sentence is amended to read:**

Whenever a party or the Department of Human Services, if it is subrogated to a party under Title 19, chapter 7, subchapter V, complains in writing and under oath that the process, decree or order of court, which is not, **except as provided in Title 19, section 771**, for the payment of money only, has been disregarded or disobeyed by any person, summary process shall issue by order of any justice, requiring such person to appear on a day certain and show cause why he should not be adjudged guilty of contempt.

**Sec. 2. 19 MRSA § 214, 2nd sentence is amended to read:**

He may order the father **either parent** of the minor child or children to contribute