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**CHAPTER 720**  
**H. P. 1835 — L. D. 1939**

**AN ACT to Increase Registration Fees for Watercraft.**

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

**Sec. 1.** 12 MRSA § 7794, sub-§ 4, ¶ A, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, § 1, is amended to read:

A. All watercraft requiring or requesting certificate of number .....\$5 **\$9**

**Sec. 2.** 12 MRSA § 7794, sub-§ 8-A is enacted to read:

**8-A. Transition.** Notwithstanding subsection 8, for 3 calendar years beginning January 1, 1981, the commissioner may issue a portion of renewal certificates that shall continue in force until December 31st of:

A. The calendar year of issuance, in which case the fee is \$3; or

B. The first complete calendar year after the year of issuance, in which case the fee is \$6.

The commissioner's authority under this subsection is designed to achieve a more evenly distributed number of watercraft registration in each year.

This subsection is repealed on December 31, 1983.

**Sec. 3.** 12 MRSA § 7795, sub-§ 3, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, § 1, is amended to read:

3. **Fee.** The fee for a dealer's certificate of number is ~~\$10~~ **\$15**.

**Sec. 4.** 12 MRSA § 7800, sub-§ 3, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, § 1, is amended to read:

3. **Disbursement of revenues.** All revenues collected under this subchapter, including fines, fees and other available moneys, less all administrative costs of the Division of Recreational Safety and Registration, ~~will~~ **shall** be disbursed for each fiscal year, when final accounting records are determined for that fiscal year, to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the Department of Marine Resources ~~in proportion to all revenues collected by the division during each fiscal year on the basis of watercraft registered for use on the internal and federal waters of this State as reported to the U.S. Coast Guard, the former being retained by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the latter by the Department of Marine Resources, to help defray the costs of enforcing this subchapter.~~ **The disbursement shall 2/3 to the Department of Inland Fisheries and**

Wildlife and 1/3 to the Department of Marine Resources, and shall be used to defray the costs of enforcing this subchapter.

**Sec. 5. Effective date.** Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 1981.

Effective July 3, 1980, unless otherwise indicated

## CHAPTER 721

### H. P. 1817 — L. D. 1945

#### AN ACT to Provide for Renegotiation of the Cost-sharing Formulas for School Districts.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, school budgets must be prepared before July 1, 1980; and

Whereas, this Act may effect the method of cost-sharing in School Administrative Districts which should be resolved before school budget approval; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. 20 MRSA § 305, 3rd ¶, first 3 sentences, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 440, § 2-F, are amended to read:**

Procedure for changing the method of sharing costs among the member municipalities in a School Administrative District:

When requested by 10% of the number of voters voting for the gubernatorial candidates at the last ~~state-wide~~ statewide election in the municipalities comprising the district, the board of school directors of the School Administrative District shall give at least 15 days' notice to each municipality comprising the School Administrative District of a meeting to determine the necessity of reconsidering the method of sharing costs. Each member municipality of the district shall be represented at the meeting to determine the necessity of reconsidering the method of sharing costs by its ~~municipal officers, school director or directors, and~~ 2 representatives from each municipality chosen at large by its municipal officers **and one member of the board of directors chosen by the members of the board of directors from that municipality.** Any change in the method of sharing costs must first be approved by a vote of ~~2/3~~ the majority of