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CHAPTER 183

H. P. 222 — L. D. 259

AN ACT to Amend the Lien Law for Sewer Districts.

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA § 1208, 2nd paragraph, 4th sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 630, § 10, is amended to read:

The treasurer, when a rate, toll, rent or other charge has been committed to him for collection, may, after the expiration of 3 months and within one year after the date when the same became due and payable, give to the owner of the real estate served, or leave at his last and usual place of abode, or send by certified mail, return receipt requested, to his last known address, a notice in writing signed by the treasurer or bearing his facsimile signature, stating the amount of that rate, toll, rent or other charge, describing the real estate upon which the lien is claimed and stating that a lien is claimed on the real estate to secure the payment of the rate, toll, rent or other charge and demanding the payment of the rate, toll, rent or other charge within 30 days after service or mailing, with \$1 for the treasurer for mailing the notice together with the certified mail, return receipt requested, fee.

Sec. 2. 38 MRSA § 1208, 2nd ¶, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 696, § 389, is further amended by adding after the 4th sentence a new sentence to read:

The notice shall contain a statement that the district is willing to arrange installment payments of the outstanding debt.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 184

H. P. 270 — L. D. 303

AN ACT to Establish the Department of Public Safety as the Lead Agency Regarding Accidental Spills of Hazardous Waste Matter.

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA § 1318-B, sub-§ 1, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 730, § 2, is amended to read:

1. **Reporting.** The responsible party or the person causing the discharge shall report a discharge immediately ~~to the local public safety agency or~~ to the Department of Public Safety, which shall immediately notify the Department of Environmental Protection and **the public safety agency of the municipality in which the discharge takes place.**

Sec. 2. 38 MRSA § 1318-B, sub-§ 2, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 730, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

2. **Preservation of public order.** The local public safety agency shall exercise authority for preservation of public order and safety and shall coordinate the response to the spill. The Department of Public Safety shall exercise this authority in those areas of the State without a local public safety agency, or in any situation in which a local public safety agency requests assistance from the Department of Public Safety.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 185

H. P. 281 — L. D. 311

AN ACT to Permit the Workers' Compensation Commission to Grant a Rehearing on the Ground of Newly Discovered Evidence.

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

39 MRSA § 99-C is enacted to read:

§ 99-C. Petition for reopening

Upon the petition of either party a single commissioner may reopen and review any approved agreement, award or decree upon the grounds of newly discovered evidence which by due diligence could not have been discovered prior to the time the agreement was approved or prior to the hearing on which the award or decree was based. The petition must be filed within 30 days of the agreement, award or decree.

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