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**STATE OF MAINE**  
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Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 2153, sub-§ 5 is enacted to read:

5. Availability. Each ordinance shall be on file with the municipal clerk and shall be accessible to any member of the public. Copies shall be made available to any member of the public, at reasonable cost, at the expense of the person making the request. Notice of availability of the ordinance shall be posted.

Sec. 3. 33 MRSA § 662-A, as amended by PL 1973, c. 788, § 167, is repealed.

Effective September 18, 1981

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## CHAPTER 217

S. P. 274 — L. D. 783

**AN ACT to Clarify the Application of Military Service Credits to Retirement Benefits for Employees of Local Districts under the Maine State Retirement System.**

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

5 MRSA § 1094, sub-§ 13, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 622, §§ 35 and 36, is further amended by inserting after the first paragraph a new paragraph to read:

A local district may elect, with regard to special retirement plans under section 1092, subsection 3 and section 1121, subsections 4, 8 and 9, that military service credits under this subsection shall only apply to additional retirement benefits under section 1092, subsection 3-A and shall not apply to age or service requirements of retirement. Nothing in this paragraph may be construed to affect in any way the rights of public employees to collectively bargain for terms and conditions of employment.

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## CHAPTER 218

H. P. 12 — L. D. 6

**AN ACT to Overrule Federal Preemption of Certain Maximum Rate Ceilings of the Maine Consumer Credit Code.**

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

9-A MRSA § 1-110 is enacted to read:

§ 1-110. Relationship to federal law

Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 501 and 521 to 523 of the United States Depository Institutions Deregulation and Monetary Control Act of 1980, Public Law 96-221, the Legislature declares that the maximum finance charges established in article II shall apply to:

1. Mobile home consumer credit transactions as defined in section 1-202, subsection 8;
2. Consumer loans entered into by state-chartered supervised financial organizations as defined in section 1-301, subsection 38; and
3. First lien mortgages on real estate granted by a creditor subject to licensing by the administrator as set out in section 2-301.

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## CHAPTER 219

H. P. 1319 — L. D. 1517

**AN ACT to Define a Loose Cord of Wood for Fuel Wood Sold on that Basis.**

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

10 MRSA § 2302, sub-§ 1, ¶ A-2, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 659, § 2, is amended to read:

A-2. Fuel wood, when sold loose and not ranked and well stowed, shall be sold by the cubic foot or loose cord, unless other arrangements are made between the buyer and seller. When sold by the loose cord, the wood in any cord shall average either 12 inches, 16 inches or 24 inches in length. When so sold, the volume of the cords shall be: A cord of 12 or 16 inches in length shall mean the amount of wood, bark and air contained in a space of 180 cubic feet; and a cord of wood 24 inches in length shall mean the amount of wood, bark and air contained in a space of 195 cubic feet.

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