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3. Existing directional signs. Upon implementation of this chapter, the commissioner may remove, or require to be removed, any existing directional sign erected and maintained pursuant to section 1153, Title 32, section 2722 prior to its repeal, and any sign erected and maintained pursuant to Title 32, section 2715 prior to its repeal, which does not qualify as an on-premise sign as defined by section 1914, no later than 6 years after January 1, 1978.

§ 1925. Administration of chapter

The commissioner shall administer this chapter with the advice of the Travel Information Advisory Council. The commissioner may employ, subject to the Personnel Law, clerical and other assistants required for the administration of this chapter. The commissioner may delegate to personnel of the Department of Transportation the authority to administer this chapter. The commissioner may promulgate rules to administer the various provisions of this chapter that are consistent with the provisions thereof. The commissioner may execute contracts and other agreements to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective May 26, 1981

CHAPTER 319

H. P. 591 — L. D. 669

AN ACT to Require that Coverage for Alcoholism Treatment be Offered as an Option in Group Health Insurance Policies.

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

Sec. 1. 24 MRSA § 2329 is enacted to read:

§ 2329. Coverage for treatment of alcoholism

1. Coverage required to be made available. Every nonprofit hospital and medical service organization which issues group health care contracts providing coverage for hospital care to residents of this State shall make available coverage for treatment of alcoholism provided by licensed or certified treatment facilities, provided that the facility providing the treatment has contracted with the nonprofit hospital or medical service organization under terms and conditions which the organization deems satisfactory to its membership.

2. Contract. The group contract making available coverage for the treatment

referred to in this section shall contain provisions for maximum benefits and coinsurance, and reasonable limitations, deductibles and exclusions.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA § 2842 is enacted to read:

§ 2842. Coverage for treatment of alcoholism

1. Coverage required to be made available. Every insurer which issues, for delivery in this State, group and blanket health insurance policies which provide coverage for hospital care to residents of this State shall make available coverage for treatment of alcoholism provided by licensed or certified treatment facilities.

2. Policy. The group or blanket policy providing coverage for the treatment referred to in this section shall contain provisions for maximum benefits and coinsurance, and reasonable limitations, deductibles and exclusions.

Sec. 3. Transition provision. This Act shall apply only to those contracts and policies delivered or issued for delivery in this State after January 1, 1982.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 320

S. P. 403 — L. D. 1208

AN ACT to Authorize Revenue Bond Financing for the Agricultural and Fishing Industries.

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

Sec. 1. 10 MRSA § 863, sub-§ 4, first ¶, as amended by PL 1979, c. 674, § 5, is further amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read:

Industrial-commercial project includes projects for agricultural production and processing, including but not limited to facilities for raising animals; and for fishing production and processing, including but not limited to fishing boats.

Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 5326, sub-§ 2, as repealed and replaced by PL 1979, c. 688, § 6, is amended by adding after the first sentence a new sentence to read:

Industrial-commercial project includes projects for agricultural production and processing, including but not limited to facilities for raising animals; and for fishing production and processing, including but not limited to fishing boats.

Effective September 18, 1981