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PUBLIC LAWS
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§ 1253. Governance of sewer districts

1. Formation of new sewer districts. Any quasi-municipal district formed after January 1, 1982, to serve the functions of a sewer district shall be formed in accordance with the Maine Sanitary District Enabling Act, chapter 11, as amended.

2. Reorganization of existing sewer districts. Any sewer district existing on January 1, 1982, may, but is not required to, reorganize as a sanitary district under the Maine Sanitary District Enabling Act. In order to accomplish this, the referendum procedure of section 1101, subsection 1-A may be initiated by the voters or by majority vote of the trustees.

3. Legislative amendment of charters. Each year, on or before April 15th, the legislative committee having jurisdiction over public utilities shall report out legislation entitled "AN ACT to Amend the Charters of Various Sewer Districts Organized Under the Private and Special Laws." Amendments to sewer district charters shall generally be included in that Act. Prior to acting upon any proposed sewer district charter amendment the legislative committee shall obtain written comments from the municipalities that lie in whole or in part within the district.

§ 1254. Effective date

This chapter shall take effect January 1, 1983, except that section 1252, subsections 5 and 6 and section 1253 shall take effect January 1, 1982.

Sec. 14. Effective date. This Act shall take effect January 1, 1982, except that for sanitary districts operative on that date sections 10 and 11 shall not be effective until January 1, 1983, and section 13 shall take effect as specified in this Act.

Effective January 1, 1982, unless otherwise indicated

CHAPTER 467

H. P. 781 — L. D. 926

AN ACT to Authorize the Public Utilities Commission to Allow Undisputed Portions of a Rate Change to Take Effect During the Pendency of a Rate Proceeding.

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

35 MRS A § 311-A is enacted to read:

§ 311-A. Temporary rates during rate proceeding

During any proceeding initiated by a public utility by a filing pursuant to section 64 or 298, the commission may approve, temporarily, any undisputed amounts of a requested rate increase or rate decrease. The amounts temporarily approved shall be filed by the utility as a temporary schedule which shall be effective from the date of approval of the temporary schedule until the issuance of the final order in the section 64 proceeding.

The utility shall notify each customer of the rate increase allowed under this section. The notice shall be mailed with the first bill mailed to each customer after the date of approval and shall state the following:

1. Amount of increase. The amount of increase allowed under this section;
2. Statement. The fact that that rate increase allowed under this section was undisputed;
3. Amount of remaining disputed portion. The amount of the remaining disputed portion of the requested rate increase; and
4. Disputed portion will be decided. If available, an estimate of the date when the disputed portion will be decided.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 468

H. P. 1585 — L. D. 1681

AN ACT to Reform the Statutes Relating to Driving under the Influence of Intoxicating Liquor or Drugs.

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA § 7106, sub-§ 2, ¶ E, sub-¶ ¶ (5) and (6), as enacted by PL 1973, c. 566, § 1, are amended to read:

(5) The United States Social Security Act; and

(6) The United States Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (~~P.L. 91-616~~), Public Law 91-616, and similar Acts; and

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA § 7106, sub-§ 2, ¶ F is enacted to read:

F. Making a separate written report to the Chief Justice, the Governor and the Legislature not later than March 1st of each year, commencing with 1982, on the