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association or its equivalent shall seek recovery first from the association of the place of residence of the claimant. Any recovery under this section shall be reduced by the amount of recovery from any other insurance guarantee association or its equivalent.

12. Stay of proceedings. All proceedings under this Act to which the insolvent self-insurer is a party either before the commission or a court in this State, shall be stayed for 60 days from the date of insolvency in order to permit the association to properly prosecute or defend any petition claim or appeal under this Act.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 485

H. P. 685 — L. D. 799

AN ACT to Amend the Workers' Compensation Law.

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

39 MRSA § 104-A, sub-§ 1, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 333, is amended by adding after the 3rd sentence the following new sentences to read:

The employer or insurer may recover from an employee payments made pending appeal to the Law Court if and to the extent that the Law Court has decided that the employee was not entitled to the compensation paid. The commission shall have full jurisdiction to determine the amount of overpayment, if any, and the amount and schedule of repayment, if any. The commission, in determining whether or not repayment should be made and the extent and schedule of repayment, shall consider the financial situation of the employee and his family and shall not order repayment which would work hardship or injustice.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 486

S. P. 382 — L. D. 1140

AN ACT to Increase the Compensation Paid to Judges and Justices.

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA § 4, first sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1979, c. 663, § 5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Each Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall receive an annual salary of \$36,637 until June 30, 1981, and an annual salary of \$38,468 until June 30, 1982, and an annual salary of \$40,392 thereafter; and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall receive an annual salary of \$38,354 until June 30, 1981, and an annual salary of \$40,272 until June 30, 1982, and an annual salary of \$42,286 thereafter.

Sec. 2. 4 MRSA § 102, first sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1979, c. 663, § 6, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Each Justice of the Superior Court shall receive an annual salary of \$36,064 until June 30, 1981, and an annual salary of \$37,868 until June 30, 1982, and an annual salary of \$39,760 thereafter.

Sec. 3. 4 MRSA § 157, 4th sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1979, c. 544, § 7, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Each judge shall receive an annual salary of \$33,202 until June 30, 1981, and an annual salary of \$34,862 until June 30, 1982, and an annual salary of \$36,605 thereafter; and the Chief Judge shall receive an annual salary of \$34,347 until June 30, 1981, and an annual salary of \$36,064 until June 30, 1982, and an annual salary of \$37,867 thereafter.

Sec. 4. **Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1981-82	1982-83
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT		
Supreme Judicial, Superior, District and Administrative Courts		
Personal Services	\$ 74,812	\$155,562
All Other	37,187	77,375
	<hr/> \$111,999	<hr/> \$232,937

Sec. 5. **Retroactivity.** Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of this Act are retroactive to July 1, 1981.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 487
H. P. 1328 — L. D. 1527

AN ACT to Provide for the Election of Jury Trials in Certain Criminal Cases.