

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**  
AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

**SECOND SPECIAL SESSION**

September 25, 1981

AND

**THIRD SPECIAL SESSION**

December 9, 1981

AND

**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

January 6, 1982 to April 13, 1982

AND AT THE

**FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION**

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J.S. McCarthy Co.  
Augusta, Maine  
1981

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**PUBLIC LAWS**  
OF THE  
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sign consisting of a profile view of a wheelchair with occupant in white on a blue background and bearing the following warning: "Handicapped Parking: Special Plate Required. Unauthorized vehicles are subject to a fine." Any vehicle parked in a parking space designated by a municipality as a handicapped parking space that does not bear a special registration plate or placard issued under Title 29, section 252, or a similar plate issued by another state, shall be cited for a penalty not to exceed \$25 unless otherwise established by local ordinance. Owners of private off-street parking may enter into agreements with local or county law enforcement agencies for the policing of stalls and spaces dedicated for handicapped persons' vehicles, under which agreements unauthorized vehicles shall be tagged.

Effective July 13, 1982.

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## CHAPTER 588

H.P. 2075 - L.D. 2018

### AN ACT Relating to Maintenance and Snow Removal in Compact Areas.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, legislation is required to minimize the impact of the 1980 census on certain municipalities; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1.** 23 MRSA §754, 1st sentence, as amended by PL 1971, c. 593, §22, is further amended to read:

Except as otherwise provided, all state and state aid

highways within compact or built-up sections of towns having a population of ~~5,000~~ 6,000 and over, as determined by the department, shall be maintained in good repair by the town wherein the same are located at the expense of the town.

Sec. 2. 23 MRSA §1001, last ¶, as amended by PL 1981, c. 492, Part C, §10, is further amended to read:

The maintenance provisions of this section and sections 705, 751, 1003 and 1005-A shall not apply to those compact or built-up sections of state highway in cities or towns whose population according to the last United States census exceeds ~~5,000~~ 6,000 inhabitants and the snow removal provisions shall not apply to those compact or built-up sections, and "compact areas" as determined by the department, in which compact sections are intermittent and separated by a short interval or intervals of sections that are not compact, of state highway in cities or towns whose population according to the last United States census exceeds ~~2,500~~ 3,500 inhabitants. The department may take over the snow removal on such portions of controlled access highways within compact sections as it deems advisable.

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

Effective March 19, 1982.

## CHAPTER 589

S.P. 829 - L.D. 1937

### AN ACT to Amend the Definition of Table Wine.

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

28 MRSA §2, sub-§20, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 741, §1, is amended to read:

20. Table wine. "Table wine" means any wine containing not more than ~~14%~~ 14.5% alcohol by volume, including sparkling wines.

Effective July 13, 1982.