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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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AND

THIRD SPECIAL SESSION

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AND

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AND AT THE

FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION

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J.S. McCarthy Co. Augusta, Maine 1981

PUBLIC LAWS

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- J. The set-aside program shall remain in effect no longer than 180 days without approval from the Legislature. In the event that the Governor finds that the set-aside system is no longer necessary to manage an energy shortage, he shall terminate the program.
- 3. Violations; penalties. Violations and penalties of this section are as follows.
 - A. Any person who violates any provision of this section or any rule or order issued pursuant to this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$10,000 for each violation.
 - B. The penalty provided for in paragraph A shall be recovered in an action or special proceeding brought by the Attorney General.
 - C. Alternatively, or in addition to the action or proceeding to recover the civil penalty provided by paragraph A, the Attorney General may institute an action or proceeding to enjoin any violation of or to enforce any provision of this section or any rule or order issued under this section.

Effective July 13, 1982.

CHAPTER 665

H.P. 1838 - L.D. 1835

AN ACT to Provide that Procedures Covered by the Maine Medical Assistance Program (Catastrophic Illness)

Shall Be Reimburseable Whether Performed by a Physician or Dentist.

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3185, first ¶, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 714, §5, is amended to read:

The Department of Human Services is authorized to provide financial assistance to, or on behalf of, families or individuals residing in Maine whose costs, wherever incur-

red, for hospital inpatient or outpatient care, physicians' services, <u>dentists' services</u>, drugs, appliances and other related services, including skilled nursing home care as defined by the department and as determined by the department to be necessary, cannot be met from their own or other sources, when those costs are of such magnitude as to constitute a financial catastrophe for those families or individuals, or when it can be determined that medical indigency exists

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §3185, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 714, §5, is amended by adding after the first sentence a new sentence to read:

Eligible dentists' services shall be limited to: Acute care directly related to an accident; and oral surgical and related medical procedures not involving dentition and gingiva.

Effective July 13, 1982.

CHAPTER 666

H.P. 1790 - L.D. 1780

AN ACT to Eliminate the Requirement that Changes in the Public Utility Rates be Prorated.

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

35 MRSA §66, first sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1981, c. 469, §13, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

It is unlawful for any public utility to charge, demand, collect or receive a greater or less compensation, except as otherwise provided in section 103, for any service performed by it within the State or for any service in connection therewith, than is specified in such printed schedules as may at the time be in force, or to demand, collect or receive any rate, toll or charge not specified in the schedules, except that when a public utility changes its rates, tolls or charges pursuant to any provision of this Title, the commission may, for billing purposes, order that