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Sec. 2. Notification; effective date of withdrawal. The town may withdraw from the program by filing with the board of trustees a duly certified copy of the resolution of the executive body of the town approving withdrawal from the program. In order to provide continuous insurance coverage of active employees and retirees, this withdrawal is not effective until the date equivalent coverage is made available to current employees and retired employees of the town.

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

Effective April 24, 1981

CHAPTER 24

S. P. 208 — L. D. 573

AN ACT Authorizing Mid-State Business School to Confer Associate Degrees.

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

Mid-State Business School to confer associate degrees. Mid-State Business School, an educational institution with a campus in Auburn, County of Androscoggin, and a campus in Augusta, County of Kennebec, shall have power and authority to confer an associate degree in applied science upon all persons who shall have completed satisfactorily 2 years' course of study in the respective fields of business subjects.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 25

H. P. 622 — L. D. 705

AN ACT to Amend the Law to Provide a Lien for Sewer Rates for the Houlton Water Company.

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

P&SL 1943, c. 28, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Sec. 2. Enforcement of liens; recording. The lien herein provided shall be enforced in the following manner; not less than 3 months nor more than one year after the expiration of any period for which sewer rates have been accrued, the treasurer of Houlton Water Company shall send by certified or registered mail,

return receipt requested, postage prepaid, to the person against whom any such rates are charged, a notice in writing signed by him, stating the amount of such rates, and the period covered thereby, and briefly describing the property as to which the rates accrued, stating that a lien is claimed on the buildings and land to secure the payment of the rates, and demanding payment of the rates within 10 days after the date of mailing of such notice. After the expiration of the 10 days and within 10 days thereafter, the treasurer or his agent shall cause to be recorded in the Southern Aroostook Registry of Deeds at Houlton, a certificate signed by him setting forth the amount of such rates, the period for which they accrued, a description of the real estate as to which the rates accrued and an allegation that a lien is claimed on the real estate to secure the payment of the rates, that a demand for payment has been made in accordance with the provisions of this act, and that the rates remain unpaid. At the time of recording of the certificate in the registry of deeds the treasurer shall cause to be mailed by certified or registered mail to each record holder of a mortgage on the real estate, addressed to him at his last and usual place of abode, a true copy of the certificate. If the demand was not made on the record owner of the premises, the treasurer shall send by certified or registered mail a like notice to such record owner. The costs charged to the ratepayer and added to the lien shall be \$25 plus the sum of the fees for all certified mail notices and all of the costs for recording and discharging of the lien in the Southern Aroostook Registry of Deeds in Houlton. The fees for recording of the lien shall be the same as established by the Revised Statutes, Title 33, section 751, subsection 10 and its amendments.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 26

H. P. 385 — L. D. 428

AN ACT to Increase the Surplus Account of the Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District.

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1971, c. 45, § 15, last paragraph, first sentence, as last amended by P&SL 1975, c. 128, § 14, is further amended to read:

If a surplus exists at the end of a calendar year, it may be transferred to a surplus account which shall not exceed ~~\$25,000~~ \$100,000 or ~~3% of the total sum apportioned in the prior calendar year to said towns and Waterville Sewerage District, whichever is the larger.~~

Sec. 2. P&SL 1971, c. 45, § 15, last paragraph, as last amended by P&SL 1975, c. 128, § 14, is further amended by adding after the first sentence a new sentence to read: