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ers of the county in which the unincorporated place is located shall hold a public hearing for the consideration of applications for new licenses requiring their approval, ~~requests for renewal of licenses~~ and applications for transfer of location. The municipal officers or county commissioners may hold a public hearing for the consideration of requests for renewal of licenses.

A. Application and request forms shall be prepared and supplied by the State Liquor Commission.

B. Prior public notice of any such hearing shall be prepared, by causing a notice at the applicant's prepaid expense, stating the name and place of hearing, to be printed:

(1) If the municipality where the premises are situated has a daily newspaper, then in that newspaper for at least 6 consecutive days prior to the date of hearing;

(2) If the municipality where the premises are situated has a newspaper, although not a daily, then in that newspaper for 2 consecutive weeks prior to the date of hearing; or

(3) If no newspaper is printed, then for at least 6 consecutive days in a daily newspaper having general circulation in the municipality in which the premises are situated or for 2 consecutive weeks prior to the date of hearing in any newspaper published in that county.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 19

H.P. 183 - L.D. 212

AN ACT to Clarify the Time during which
a Utility is Restricted from Filing a Rate
Case under the Public Utility Law.

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

35 MRSA §64, 2nd ¶, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 681, is amended to read:

Without the approval of the commission, no util-

ity may file a schedule or schedules for a general increase in rates pursuant to this section within one year of a prior filing for a general increase in rates pursuant to this section, unless the proceeding initiated by such a prior filing was terminated without a final determination of the utility's revenue requirement. This requirement shall not prevent any utility, at any time, from notifying the commission in advance, either voluntarily or in accordance with a commission requirement under this section, of its plans to file a general increase in rates. Nothing in this section may be construed to limit any utility's right, at any time, to petition pursuant to section 311 for temporary rate relief. For the purpose of this paragraph, a final determination of the utility's revenue requirement shall mean a decision on the merits of the utility's request after consideration of at least the utility's direct case in support of its request, but the commission shall decide whether a final determination has been made in any specific case.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 20

S.P. 95 - L.D. 226

AN ACT to Clarify the Authority of
Municipal Officers to Charge Interest on
Delinquent Sewer Accounts.

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

30 MRSA §4355, as amended by PL 1971, c. 177, §1, is further amended to read:

§4355. Service charges for sewage disposal

The municipal officers may establish a schedule of service charges from time to time upon improved real estate connected with a municipal sewer or disposal system for the use of the system. Such service charges shall include reserve fund contributions. The municipal officers may also charge interest on delinquent accounts at a rate not to exceed the highest lawful rate set by the Treasurer of State for municipal taxes. There shall be a lien on real estate served or benefited by a municipal sewer or sewer disposal system to secure the payment of service charges and interest on delinquent accounts duly established hereunder which shall take precedence