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CHAPTER 206

H.P. 980 - L.D. 1281

AN ACT to Authorize the Public Utilities
Commission to Hold Joint Hearings with Federal
Public Utility Regulatory Bodies.

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

35 MRSA §16, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 354, is amended to read:

§16. Participation with other public utility regulatory bodies

The commission ~~shall have the authority to~~ may participate with other state and federal public utility regulating bodies, including the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and the Federal Communications Commission, or their successors, in joint hearings and studies relating to mutually regulated utilities.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 207

H.P. 981 - L.D. 1282

AN ACT to Remove the Jurisdiction of the
Public Utilities Commission over Certain
Dealers of Gas in Liquid Form.

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

35 MRSA §15, sub-§8 is amended to read:

8. Gas company. "Gas company" includes every corporation or person, their lessees, trustees, receivers or trustees appointed by any court whatsoever, owning, controlling, operating or managing any gas plant for compensation within this State, except where gas is made or produced on and distributed by the maker or producer through private property alone solely for his own use or the use of his tenants and not for sale to others, or where the gas is sold in liquid form in individual containers or is delivered in bulk in liquid form to a central tank that serves less than 10 customers, provided that a gas company

owning, controlling, operating or managing such a central tank serving more than 10 customers shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the commission solely with respect to safety.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 208

S.P. 472 - L.D. 1436

AN ACT to Provide Confidentiality of
Library Records.

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

27 MRSA c. 4-A is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 4-A

LIBRARY RECORDS

§121. Confidentiality of library records

Records maintained by any public municipal library, including the Maine State Library, which contain information relating to the identity of a library patron relative to the patron's use of books or other materials at the library, shall be confidential. Those records may only be released with the express written permission of the patron involved or as the result of a court order.

Public municipal libraries shall have up to 5 years from the effective date of this chapter to be in compliance with this section.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 209

H.P. 1102 - L.D. 1448

AN ACT to Restrict Reimbursement of
Mileage to Boards and Commissions to no More
than that received by State Employees.

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