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unintentional and a bona fide error, notwithstanding the maintenance of procedures reasonably adopted to avoid any such error.

Effective September 23, 1983.

#### CHAPTER 312

H.P. 795 - L.D. 1035

AN ACT to Clarify the Adoption Assistance Law.

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

19 MRSA §541, 2nd ¶, as amended by PL 1981, c. 57, §1, is further amended to read:

The amount of adoption assistance may vary depending upon the resources <u>circumstances</u> of the adoptive parents, the special needs of the child, as well as the availability of other resources, but may not exceed the total cost of caring for the child if the child were to remain in the care or custody of the Department of Human Services without regard to the source of the funds which would have been used to care for the child.

Effective September 23, 1983.

#### **CHAPTER 313**

H.P. 826 - L.D. 1084

AN ACT to Amend the Adult Protective Services Act.

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3472, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 527, §2, is amended to read:

1. <u>Abuse.</u> "Abuse" means the willful infliction of injury, unreasonable confinement, intimidation or cruel punishment with resulting physical harm or pain or mental anguish; <u>sexual abuse or exploitation</u>; or the willful deprivation of essential needs. Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §3472, sub-§11, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 527, §2, is amended to read:

11. <u>Neglect.</u> "Neglect" means a threat to an adult's health or welfare by physical or mental injury or impairment, sexual abuse or exploitation; deprivation of essential needs or lack of protection from these.

Effective September 23, 1983.

#### **CHAPTER 314**

H.P. 895 - L.D. 1160

AN ACT to Amend Certain Motor Vehicle Title Laws of the State.

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

Sec. 1. 29 MRSA §2351, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 586, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

1. Dealer. "Dealer" means every person engaged in the business of buying, selling, exchanging, offering to negotiate, negotiating or advertising the sale of a vehicle who has an established place of business for those purposes in this State and to whom a current dealer license has been issued by the Secretary of State.

Sec. 2. 29 MRSA §2351, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Component part. "Component part" means any part of a vehicle, other than a tire, having a manufacturer's identification number or an identification number issued by the Secretary of State.

Sec. 3. 29 MRSA §2365, as amended by PL 1981, c. 110, §16, is further amended to read:

### <u>§2365. Secretary of State to check identification</u> number

The Secretary of State, upon receiving application for a first certificate of title or certificate of salvage, shall check the identification number of the vehicle shown in the application against the records of vehicles required to be maintained by