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§3478. Mandatory reporting to medical examiner for post-mortem investigation

A person required to report cases of known or suspected abuse or neglect, who knows or has reasonable cause to suspect that an adult has died as a result of abuse or neglect, shall report that fact to the appropriate medical examiner authority as provided in section 3026. The medical examiner shall accept the report for investigation and shall report his findings to the police, the appropriate district attorney, the department and, if the institution making the report is a hospital, the hospital. An adult shall not be considered to be abused or neglected solely because he was provided with treatment by spiritual means by an accredited practitioner of a recognized religious organization.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSa §4013, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 733, §18, is amended to read:

§4013. Mandatory reporting to medical examiner for post-mortem investigation

A person required to report cases of known or suspected abuse or neglect, who knows or has reasonable cause to suspect that a child has died as a result of abuse or neglect, shall report that fact to the appropriate medical examiner authority as provided in section 3026. The medical examiner shall accept the report for investigation and shall report his findings to the police, the appropriate district attorney, the department and, if the institution making the report is a hospital, the hospital. A child shall not be considered to be abused or neglected solely because he was provided with treatment by spiritual means by an accredited practitioner of a recognized religious organization.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 344

H.P. 963 - L.D. 1244

AN ACT to Establish the Position of
Director of Technical Analysis within the
Public Utilities Commission.

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

Sec. 1. 2 MRSA §6-A, sub-§3, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 582, §1, is amended to read:

D. Director of engineering technical analysis.

Sec. 2. 35 MRSA §1, as amended by PL 1981, c. 582, §§2 to 4, is further amended to read:

§1. Members; terms; vacancies; seal; clerks; office and equipment; salary; expenses

The Public Utilities Commission, as heretofore established, shall consist of 3 members appointed by the Governor, subject to review by the legislative committee having jurisdiction over public utilities and to confirmation by the Legislature from time to time upon the expiration of the terms of the several members, for terms of 6 years and all 3 members of the commission shall devote full time to their duties. Each term shall end on March 31st of the 6th year of the term. A commissioner may continue to serve beyond the end of his term until a duly qualified successor is appointed. Any vacancy occurring in said commission shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired portion of the term in which such vacancy occurs. One member of the commission shall be designated by the Governor as chairman. The commission shall adopt and have a seal and be provided with an office at the State House in which its records shall be kept. The commission shall appoint a secretary, a director of finance and a director of engineering technical analysis. ~~The director of engineering shall be a professional engineer, registered in accordance with Title 32, c. 19.~~ The director of technical analysis shall have a bachelor's degree in an appropriate field and 4 years' experience in engineering, or shall be registered as a professional engineer. It shall appoint, with the approval of the Attorney General, a general counsel. It shall appoint, subject to the Personnel Law, an assistant secretary. The secretary shall keep a full and minute record of the proceedings of the commission which shall be open to public inspection at all times. The assistant secretary shall assist the secretary in the performance of his duties, and in the absence of the secretary shall have the same powers as the secretary. The secretary shall have authority to certify to all official acts of the commission, administer oaths, issue subpoenas and issue all processes, notices, orders or other documents necessary to the performance of the duties of the commission. The commission shall have custody and control of all records, maps and papers pertaining to the offices of the former Board of Railroad Commissioners and the former State Water Storage Commission.

The salaries of the other subordinate officials and employees of that commission, other than those of the general counsel, the secretary, the director of finance and the director of engineering technical analysis, shall be subject to the Personnel Law. The commissioners and all employees shall receive actual expenses when traveling on official business.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 345

S.P. 395 - L.D. 1195

AN ACT to Revise the Statutes relating to
Radiation Control.

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

- Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §51 is repealed.
- Sec. 2. 10 MRSA §52, as amended by PL 1981, c. 439, §§1 to 4, is reallocated to 38 MRSA §1402.
- Sec. 3. 10 MRSA §§53 and 54 are repealed.
- Sec. 4. 10 MRSA §103, as amended by PL 1981, c. 109, §§1 and 2, is repealed.
- Sec. 5. 10 MRSA §104 is repealed.
- Sec. 6. 10 MRSA §105, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 684, §3, is repealed.
- Sec. 7. 10 MRSA §151 is repealed.
- Sec. 8. 10 MRSA §151-A, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 439, §5, is repealed.
- Sec. 9. 10 MRSA §152, as repealed and replaced by PL 1981, c. 439, §6, is repealed.
- Sec. 10. 10 MRSA §153, as amended by PL 1981, c. 439, §7, is repealed.
- Sec. 11. 10 MRSA §§201, 202 and 203 are repealed.
- Sec. 12. 10 MRSA §§251 to 256, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 355, are reallocated to 35 MRSA §§3371 to 3376.