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these payments are made monthly, they shall be made on the last day of each month; if semiannually, they shall be made on the last day of June and the last day of December; if annually, they shall be made on the last day of December.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 356

H.P. 1202 - L.D. 1596

AN ACT to Provide a Statement of Birth Parents' Identity for Adoptees.

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

22 MRSA §2766 is enacted to read:

§2766. Statement of birth parents' identity

A person 18 years of age or older, born and adopted in this State, may apply to the state registrar for a statement identifying his birth parents. The adoptee shall submit to the state registrar the following:

1. Proof. Proof that the birth parents are deceased;

2. Affidavit. An affidavit from a blood relative who is not a sibling and who is at least 10 years older than the adoptee, verifying that the adoptee lived with the birth parents for 5 years; and

3. Order. An order from the Probate Court or Superior Court authorizing the state registrar to open the original birth certificate to verify the identity of the birth parents.

Upon verification of the information in this section, the state registrar shall prepare a form identifying the birth parents of the adoptee. This form shall be attached to the new certificate of birth established pursuant to section 2765. A copy of the form shall be attached to an abstract of birth issued by the Office of Vital Statistics and shall be provided to the adoptee.

A statement of identification of the birth parents shall not affect the rights of inheritance and

descent. The form shall contain the following words in a conspicuous place: "This statement shall not affect the rights of inheritance and descent of the adoptee."

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 357

H.P. 1101 - L.D. 1452

AN ACT Relating to the Authority of the
County Commissioners over the Operation of all
County Offices.

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

30 MRSA §66, as amended by PL 1981, c. 698, §138, is amended to read:

§66. County commissioners' authority

The county commissioners shall have final authority over the operation of all county offices by elected or appointed county officers, except in circumstances for which a County Personnel Board has been established under subchapter VII with the powers and duties set forth in that subchapter and in section 64-A. It is the intent of this section that the county commissioners shall act as a board and not on an individual basis in exercising this authority.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 358

H.P. 812 - L.D. 1052

AN ACT Concerning Standards for
Rejection of Altered Vehicles.

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

29 MRSA §2504, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 464, §5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place: