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§1565. Violations

- 1. Contributions. No political action committee may knowingly make or accept any contribution or make any expenditure in violation of this chapter.
- 2. False statement in report. No political action committee may make a false statement in any report required by this chapter.
- 3. Registration. No political action committee may function in this State, unless it is registered in accordance with section 1553 or unless it is accepted by the provisions thereof.

§1566. Penalty

Any violation of any provision of this chapter for which a penalty is not otherwise provided shall be a Class E crime. The Attorney General shall prosecute any such violation.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 366

S.P. 543 - L.D. 1586

AN ACT to Prohibit Harassment of Hunters, Trappers and Fishermen.

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

12 MRSA c. 710 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 710

HARASSMENT OF HUNTERS, TRAPPERS

AND FISHERMEN

§7541. Harassment prohibited

- 1. Interference with taking. No person may willfully interfere with the lawful hunting, fishing or trapping of a wild animal, wild bird or fish.
- 2. Disturbing wild animals, wild birds or fish. No person may willfully disturb or attempt to disturb a wild animal, wild bird or fish with the intent to interfere with the hunting, fishing or trapping of them.

- 3. Violation. A violation of this section is a civil violation for which a forfeiture of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged.
- 4. Property rights otherwise provided by law. This chapter shall not be construed in any way to limit the ownership use, access or control of property rights otherwise provided by law.

§7542. Injunction; damages

1. Injunction. The District Court or Superior Court may enjoin conduct which would be in violation of section 7541 upon petition by a person affected or who reasonably may be affected by the conduct, upon a showing that the conduct is threatened or that it has occurred on particular premises in the past and that it is not unreasonable to expect that under similar circumstances it will be repeated.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 367

H.P. 1217 - L.D. 1613

AN ACT to Prevent the Closing of Fire Lookout Towers.

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

- 12 MRSA §8906, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 545, §3, is amended to read:
- 2. Equipment. The director may establish lookout stations connected by telephone and radio, and construct, equip and maintain office -- storehouse head-quarters for necessary supplies, tools and equipment and provide for any other facilities essential for forest fire control. Within the Maine Forestry District, the director may, in addition to this subsection, construct and maintain roads and trails. In the event the director determines that any currently active fire tower should not be reopened for the subsequent fire season, he shall provide notice to the Legislature of his intended action by January 15th. This notice shall include the location of the fire towers affected and the justifications for the closure. Notice of closures shall be reviewed by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having