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vation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

29 MRSA §193, last ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 2, is amended to read:

The color, shape, size, lettering and numbering of the special plates shall be determined by the Secretary of State, except the plates issued to Members of the House of Representatives, other than the Speaker of the House, shall bear the number of the seat assigned to such House District represented by each member, and except the plates issued to the Members of the Senate, except the President of the Senate, shall bear the number of the Senatorial District which the respective Senators represent.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective March 28, 1985.

CHAPTER 52

H.P. 301 - L.D. 390

AN ACT Concerning the Shellfishing Industry.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6301, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661, §5, is amended to read:

2. Expiration. A license or certificate expires on December 31st of the year in which it is issued, except that a shellfish sanitation certificate, authorized under section 6856, shall expire on April 30th of each year.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6671, sub-§4-B is enacted to read:

4-B. Management program approval. The commissioner may promulgate regulations that set the crite-

ria which must be met by municipal shellfish conservation programs and ordinances in order to obtain approval by the commissioner.

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 53

S.P. 203 - L.D. 553

AN ACT to Reenact Provisions for the Court, for Good Cause, to Hear Certain Contested Motions in Separation, Annulment or Divorce Proceedings Where There are Minor Children of the Parties Prior to Referring to Mediation.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, in 1984 the Legislature enacted a law to allow judges, for good cause shown, to hear certain contested motions in separation, annulment or divorce proceedings where there are minor children of the parties, pending a final order and prior to referring the parties to mediation; and

Whereas, this law contained a sunset provision that will result in the automatic repeal of this law on March 31, 1985; and

Whereas, the continuing ability of judges to hear certain contested motions in separation, annulment or divorce proceedings where there are minor children of the parties is vital to the interest of the parties and the minor children involved; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. 19 MRSA §214, sub-§4, as amended by PL 1983, c. 862, §48, is further amended to read: