

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

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Augusta, Maine  
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All persons, except public service corporations operating interstate, licensed to sell spirituous or vinous liquor, except table wine, shall purchase all such liquor from the commission or from special agency stores. All licensees for on-premise consumption shall report all purchases of that liquor to the commission on forms provided by the commission.

The commission shall sell to agency stores spirituous and vinous liquor, except table wine, for a price of 10% less than the retail price established for the state retail stores, provided that the discount shall not apply to federal taxes levied on or after November 1, 1941.

The commission may sell spirituous or vinous liquor, except table wine, to approved government instrumentalities within the State at a price to be set by the commission, which shall be approved by the Governor. The commission may sell spirituous and vinous liquor not for consumption within the State to airlines and ferry services or their agents, as authorized by the State Liquor Commission, at a price to be set by the commission, which shall be approved by the Governor.

The commission shall evaluate the effect the elimination of the discount formerly extended to licensees has on the purchase of liquor from the commission and from special agency stores. The commission shall report its conclusions to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over legal affairs by January 31, 1986.

Nothing in this section may be construed to permit the commission to sell spirituous and vinous liquor without collecting the entire premium assessed under chapter 12.

The State Liquor Commission may adopt such rules as it deems necessary or advisable to effectuate the purpose of this section.

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

Effective June 13, 1985.

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## CHAPTER 307

H.P. 1106 - L.D. 1595

AN ACT Concerning Times for Voter  
Registration.

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

Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §122, sub-§§4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 are enacted to read:

4. Election day registration. The registrar shall accept registrations of applicants who appear in person on election day. The registrar shall issue to each of these applicants a certificate entitling the applicant to be placed on the voting list at the voting place. Only one certificate may be issued to any person.

5. Alternative registration schedule for absentee voters. The registrar shall accept registrations under section 152 at any time, including election day, provided that the applicant otherwise qualifies as an absentee voter. The receipt of a completed absentee ballot application by the clerk establishes a presumption of qualification under this subsection.

6. Names to be placed on voting list. Except as provided in paragraph A, the registrar shall accept registrations on any business day or other day that the clerk's office is open. The names of any person registering shall be placed on the voting list.

A. The registrar shall accept only the registrations of applicants who appear in person as follows:

(1) In a municipality with a population of 2,500 or less, on the last business day before election day;

(2) In a municipality with a population of more than 2,500 on the last 5 business days before election day, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on at least 3 of these days; and

(3) The names of voters registering during these periods shall be recorded as provided under subsection 7.

7. Record of names. The names of voters who register by appearing in person before the registrar during the business days before election day under subsection 6 shall be recorded as provided in either paragraph A or B, as the municipal officers direct:

A. The registrar shall, after finding an applicant qualified, issue a certificate entitling the

voter to be placed on the voting list at the voting place on election day. Only one certificate may be issued to any person; or

B. The registrar shall, after finding the applicant qualified, place the names of those voters on a supplemental voting list. Before the polls are opened, the registrar shall deliver the supplemental list or lists to the clerk or ward clerk at each voting place. The inclusion of a person's name on that list will entitle the applicant to vote on election day. All references in this Title to the use of the voting list before, during and after election day are considered to include the supplemental voting list as provided in this paragraph.

8. Change of schedule. The hourly schedule established by this section may be changed by the municipal officers according to the needs of the municipality.

Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §§123 and 124, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, are repealed.

Effective September 19, 1985.

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## CHAPTER 308

S.P. 152 - L.D. 419

AN ACT to Amend the Habitual Offender Law.

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

Sec. 1. 29 MRSA §2296-B, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 503, is amended to read:

1. Petition. A person whose license to operate a motor vehicle has been revoked as an habitual offender, pursuant to section 2293, 2296, 2296-A or 2298, may petition the Secretary of State for a work-restricted license.

Sec. 2. 29 MRSA §2296-B, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 503, is amended to read:

3. Revocation; procedure. The Secretary of State shall revoke, without preliminary hearing, the