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CHAPTER 362

H.P. 1051 - L.D. 1527

AN ACT Concerning Extension of the Permit Processing Period for Hydropower Projects.

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §635-A, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 779, §4, is amended to read:

§635-A. Time limits for processing applications

Whenever the board receives a properly completed application, the board shall make a decision as expeditiously as possible. When the proposed project lies within the jurisdiction of the Department of Environmental Protection, the Board of Environmental Protection shall make a decision in accordance with section 344, except that, following one extension of up to 45 working days, the commissioner may waive the requirements of section 344, only at the request of the applicant.

When the proposed project lies within the jurisdiction of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, decisions shall be made within 105 working days except that decisions delegated to the director shall be made within 60 working days. The Following one extension of up to 45 working days, the director may waive the time limit requirements of this section only at the request of the applicant.

Sec. 2. Application. Extention of the time limits for processing applications which have been properly filed with the board or the commission before the effective date of this Act shall be governed by the law in effect at the time the applications were filed.

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 363

H.P. 1097 - L.D. 1590

AN ACT to Protect the Voting Rights of Township Residents.

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

Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §156, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, is amended to read:

2. Voting. He may vote in the town in which he is registered in any election for offices of or questions concerning the unorganized territory in which he resides. He may not vote at a municipal election or on a liquor option question. If he votes in a town outside his representative district, he may not vote for the office of Representative to the Legislature. If he votes in a town outside his state senatorial district, he may not vote for the office of State Senator. If he votes in a town outside his county, he may not vote for any county office. The election clerk in charge of ballots shall mark a line through the names of the officers for which he may not vote and add the letter "F" to and initial the outside of the ballot. If he registers in a town outside his representative district, state senatorial district, county commissioner district or county, he may vote for the offices of Representative to the Legislature, State Senator or any county office by using a ballot provided under section 606-A. If he is unable to be present at the voting place on election day, he may vote by absentee ballot.

Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §606-A is enacted to read:

§606-A. Special provisions for out-of-district voters

A voter who registers and votes under section 156 in a municipality outside his representative district, state senatorial district, county commissioner district or county, may vote for the offices of Representative to the Legislature, State Senator or any county office by using a ballot obtained under this section.

1. Clerk to notify. The clerk of a municipality in which voters have registered or enrolled under section 156 shall notify the Secretary of State of those registrations and enrollments at least 60 days before any election.

2. Secretary of State to furnish ballots. The Secretary of State shall provide to the clerk at least 75 ballots for every 50 votes cast at that voting place by persons registered or enrolled under section 156 in the last election of that type. These ballots shall contain the names of the nominees or

candidates for offices in the electoral divisions in which the voters registered under section 156 reside.

3. Voter to use proper ballot. The election clerk in charge of the ballots at each voting place shall insure that each voter, registered in that municipality under section 156, who resides in a different electoral division obtains and uses the proper ballot provided under this section.

4. How furnished. Ballots provided under this section shall be furnished to voting places in accordance with section 606.

5. County commissioner districts; county referendum. If a township resident registers under section 156 in a municipality outside his county commissioner district, or outside his county in the case of a county referendum, the commissioners of his county shall perform the duties of the Secretary of State under this section and section 752, subsection 1, paragraph B. The clerk of a municipality in which these voters have registered or enrolled under section 156 shall notify the county commissioners of those registrations and enrollments at least 120 days before any election for county commissioner or for the determination of a county referendum question.

Sec. 3. 21-A MRSA §752, sub-§1, ¶B is enacted to read:

B. The Secretary of State shall provide a reasonable number of absentee ballots for township residents who are registered or enrolled in a municipality outside their electoral divisions under section 156. These ballots shall contain the names of the nominees or candidates for offices in the electoral divisions in which the voters reside.

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 364

H.P. 1090 - L.D. 1583

AN ACT to Require Adequate Notice of Tax Lien Foreclosure.

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