

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
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STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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J.S. McCarthy Co., Inc.
Augusta, Maine
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PUBLIC LAWS
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designated by the authorized person to assist him in the performance of his duty in the criminal proceeding or investigation.

5. Civil contempt. Any person who is required to produce medical records by this section and intentionally or knowingly fails to do so within 20 days of the service of the written request upon him, may be subject to civil contempt for his failure to comply with the request.

6. Immunity from liability. No individual, partnership, association, corporation, institution or governmental entity or employee or agent of a governmental entity may be criminally or civilly responsible for furnishing any medical records in compliance with this section.

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

Effective June 25, 1985.

CHAPTER 423

S.P. 570 - L.D. 1506

AN ACT to Regulate Recovery of Costs of Canceled or Abandoned Electric Generating Facilities.

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

Sec. 1. 35 MRSA §52-B, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 811, §2, is amended to read:

5. Canceled plant recovery filing fee. Any utility requesting recovery in rates of its investment in a canceled or abandoned electric generating facility shall pay to the commission a filing fee of ~~\$75,000~~ \$150,000 for each facility. The utility may request the commission to waive all or a portion of the filing fee. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, filing fees paid as required in this section shall be segregated, apportioned and expended by the commission for the purposes of this section. Any portion of the filing fee that is received from any utility and is not expended by the commission for the purposes of this section shall be returned to the utility.

Sec. 2. Supplementary filing. Any utility which files a request to recover its investment in a canceled or abandoned electric generating facility after June 1, 1985, but before the effective date of this Act, shall pay to the Public Utilities Commission upon request on the effective date of this Act a supplementary filing fee of not more than \$75,000. That supplementary filing fee shall be subject to all other requirements of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35, section 52-B, subsection 5.

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 424

S.P. 450 - L.D. 1253

AN ACT to Provide a Procedure to Petition
for Standing and Intervenor Status for
Foster Parents in Child Protection
Proceedings.

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

22 MRSA §4005-A is enacted to read:

§4005-A. Foster parents right to standing and intervenor status in child protection proceedings

1. Definition. As used in this section, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following terms have the following meanings.

A. "Foster parent" means a person who has had a child in his home for at least one year and who has received a license for a family foster home as defined in section 8101, subsection 3, or who is a relative.

2. Petition. A foster parent may petition for standing and intervenor status in any child protection proceeding under this chapter regarding his foster child, provided that the child is living in the foster parent's home or in any child protection proceeding initiated within 10 days after the child is removed from or leaves the foster home. The standing and intervenor status is limited to that proceeding unless otherwise ordered by the court.