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STATE OF MAINE

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PUBLIC LAWS
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CHAPTER 509

S.P. 645 - L.D. 1662

AN ACT Correcting an Error in the Law
Relating to Business on Sundays
Between Thanksgiving Day and Christmas
Day.

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

Whereas, the law concerning the operation of businesses on Sunday was amended in 1983 to allow sales on those Sundays falling between Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day; and

Whereas, in the last regular session this same provision was amended to conform the State observance of Memorial Day with that of the Federal Government; and

Whereas, this last amendment inadvertently omitted the language enacted in 1983 regarding Sunday sales; and

Whereas, this bill must take effect prior to the first Sunday following Thanksgiving; 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:

17 MRSA §3204, first ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1985, c. 114, §3, is amended to read:

No person, firm or corporation may, on the Lord's Day except between the hours of noon and 5:00 p.m. on those Sundays falling between Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day; Memorial Day, the last Monday in May, but if the Federal Government designates May 30th as the date for observance of Memorial Day, the 30th of May; July 4th; Labor Day, the first Monday of September; Veterans' Day, November 11th; Christmas Day and

Thanksgiving Day as proclaimed by the Governor, keep open a place of business to the public, except for works of necessity, emergency or charity.

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

Effective November 15, 1985.

CHAPTER 510

H.P. 1169 - L.D. 1666

AN ACT to Allow the Finance Authority of
Maine to Close any Project Initiated
Prior to the Recent Changes in Finance
Authority of Maine Legislation.

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

Whereas, the Legislature passed at the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislation which eliminated the Finance Authority of Maine's role in providing bond funds for housing;

Whereas, the Legislature inadvertently failed to except one project which had already obtained approval from the authority prior to the effective date of that new legislation;

Whereas, this legislation is urgently needed to provide that exemption to avoid needless litigation; 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:

Application. The Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, section 1041-A, subsection 5, does not apply with respect to any project for which the Finance Authori-