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CHAPTER 551

H.P. 1252 - L.D. 1762

AN ACT to Permit the Electricians' Examining Board to Renew Certain Master, Journeyman and Limited Electricians' Licenses.

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

Whereas, of the 7,000 licensed electricians in Maine, each year several dozen fail to renew their licenses during the statutory grace period; and

Whereas, in recent years, the educational and experience requirements for licensure have greatly increased; and

Whereas, since the board lacks discretion in waiving any requirements other than reexamination, several dozen licensees are obliged to abandon their livelihood; 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:

32 MRSA 1204, 2nd 1, as repealed and replaced by PL 1983, c. 413, 39, is amended to read:

A license may be renewed up to 90 days after the date of its expiration upon payment of a late fee of \$10 in addition to the renewal fee. Any person who submits an application for renewal more than 90 days after the license expiration date shall be subject to all requirements governing new applicants under this chapter, except that the board may in its discretion, giving due consideration to the protection of the public, waive examination or other requirements if the renewal application is made within 2 years from the date of the expiration. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the board shall waive 2700 CHAP. 551

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examination if a renewal application is made within 90 days after separation from the United States Armed Forces, under conditions other than dishonorable, by a person who has failed to renew his license because he was on active duty in the Armed Forces; provided that the waiver of examination shall not be granted if the person served more than 4 years in the Armed Forces, except if he is required by some mandatory provision to serve a longer period and he shall submit satisfactory evidence of this mandatory provision to serve a longer period and he shall submit satisfactory evidence of this mandatory provision to serve a longer period and he shall submit satisfactory evidence of this mandatory provision to serve a longer period and he shall sub-

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

Effective March 3, 1986.

CHAPTER 552

H.P. 1259 - L.D. 1769

AN ACT to Amend the Laws Relating to Investigative Information of the State Fire Marshal's Office.

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

Whereas, both the control of public access to and the dissemination of written information, whenever created, in the possession or control of law enforcement units of the office of State Fire Marshal, is inadequate; and

Whereas, this inadequacy constitutes a serious threat both now and in the future to the ability of criminal justice agencies to provide proper protection to persons, places and things; and

Whereas, such a threat is inimical to the paramount interests of the State; 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 preser-