

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

AS PASSED BY THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

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ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,  
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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J.S. McCarthy Co., Inc.  
Augusta, Maine

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**PUBLIC LAWS**  
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not to substitute for, the voluntary bargaining provided for elsewhere in the article.

2. Application; definition. This section applies only to bargaining for ~~potatoes~~, ~~subject to this article~~, by agricultural products between a handler and a qualified association. For purposes of this section, the term "party" means either a handler or a qualified association.

6. Effect of contract. The contract presented to the parties pursuant to subsection 5 shall not be binding on the parties. The parties may sign the contract prior to April 7th, after which they may not sign any contract subject to this article or bargain for ~~potatoes~~ agricultural products subject to this article before June 15th.

Sec. 4. 13 MRSA §1958-A, sub-§3, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 274, is amended to read:

B. All bargaining for ~~potatoes~~ agricultural products subject to this ~~article~~ to be grown during the current year shall cease at midnight, March 15th.

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

Effective March 12, 1986.

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## CHAPTER 579

H.P. 1216 - L.D. 1724

### AN ACT Pertaining to Local Registration of Watercraft.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7792, sub-§1-A, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 588, §12, is amended to read:

1-A. Municipal watercraft registration. Rules authorizing the commissioner to delegate to municipalities the authority to issue watercraft registrations. These rules shall include provisions for the municipalities to retain reasonable administrative costs from fees collected. With the approval of the

municipal officers of a municipality, the commissioner may appoint municipal clerks, tax collectors or such other persons that a municipality may designate as agents to issue watercraft registrations.

Agents may charge a service fee of not more than \$1 for each watercraft registration issued and this service fee shall be retained by the municipality.

Each municipal agent shall report to the commissioner on or before the 15th day of each calendar month. The report shall include an accounting of all watercraft registration issued during the previous calendar month and shall be accompanied by:

A. The department's copy of each registration issued; and

B. All watercraft registration funds collected by the agent during the reporting period;

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7793, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, §1, is amended to read:

1. Register watercraft. The commissioner shall annually register watercraft and issue certificates, licenses and permits as provided in this subchapter.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7793, sub-§5, ¶¶A & B, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, §1, are amended to read:

A. Where the legal residence of the applicant is a municipality within the State, the commissioner shall mail annually such a list to the ~~assessor~~ or assessors tax collector of that municipality.

B. Where the legal residence of the applicant is outside of the State and the boat is situated within a municipality in the State, the commissioner shall mail annually such a list to the ~~assessor~~ or assessors tax collector of that municipality.

Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §7794, sub-§4, ¶A, as amended by PL 1983, c. 92, Pt. B, §2, is further amended to read:

A. All watercraft requiring or requesting certificate of number ..... \$ 6 4

Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §7794, sub-§9, as amended by PL 1983, c. 572, §§3 and 12, is further amended to read:

9. Expiration. Every certificate of number awarded under this subchapter continues in force until ~~December 31st of the calendar year after the year of issuance~~ the last day of the 12th month after the month of issuance.

Sec. 6. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1986-87

BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Positions	(1)
Personal Services	\$26,000
Capital Expenditures	4,000
All Other	<u>30,000</u>
Total	\$60,000

Provides funds for one full-time Data Entry Specialist and one season Clerk Typist II; one computer terminal and printer; and increased computer time associated with annual registration of watercraft.

Sec. 7. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 1, 1987.

Effective January 1, 1987.

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**CHAPTER 580**

H.P. 1326 - L.D. 1861

AN ACT Concerning the Open Time for Polls on Election Day.

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

21-A MRSA §626, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1985, c. 277, is further amended to read: