

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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PUBLIC LAWS
OF THE
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AS PASSED AT THE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION
of the
ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
1985

1. The United States enacts legislation:

A. Ratifying and approving Maine Public Law 1985, chapter 675, without modification; and

B. Amending the United States Public Law 96-420, Section 6 (e), United States Code, Title 25, Section 1725 (e), to provide the consent of the United States for amendments to the Maine Implementing Act, with respect to the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, provided that such amendment of the Maine Implementing Act is made with the agreement of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians; and

2. Within 60 days of adjournment of the Legislature, the Secretary of State receives written certification by the council of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians that the band has agreed to this Act pursuant to the United States Code, Title 25, Section 1725(e)(1), copies of which shall be submitted by the Secretary of State to the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives; provided that in no event shall this Act become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature.

Effective July 16, 1986, as indicated.

CHAPTER 673

S.P. 909 - L.D. 2276

AN ACT Concerning Access to Vital Records in Cases of Adoption.

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

22 MRSA §2706-A, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 384, is amended to read:

5. Request for contact. When the state registrar has a request for contact from both a biological parent and that parent's adopted child or the child's adoptive parent, he shall notify each party of the name and address of the other party. If a biological parent, an adoptive parent or an adopted person registered under this section has made a request for contact and the party being sought died in Maine, the

state registrar may disclose to the requesting party the fact that the biological parent, adoptive parent or the adopted person has died.

Effective July 16, 1986.

CHAPTER 674

S.P. 854 - L.D. 2166

AN ACT to Clarify the Authority of
Municipalities to Raise and
Appropriate Money for Financial
Assistance to Water and Sewer
Districts.

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

Whereas, municipalities have the need to provide for the supply of fresh water and the treatment and disposal of sewage to their citizens; and

Whereas, municipalities have the power, pursuant to their home rule powers, to expend funds to provide financial assistance to a sewer district which is a quasi-municipal corporation for acquisition, construction, improvement, repair, maintenance and operation of a sewer system, including one or more municipalities; and

Whereas, financial institutions that would loan funds to municipalities to provide financial assistance to such sewer districts desire further clarification with respect to the power of Maine municipalities to provide this financial assistance and to undertake the financial obligations entailed thereby; 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: