

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

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Twin City Printery  
Lewiston, Maine  
1987

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**PUBLIC LAWS**

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14 MRSA §6028 is enacted to read:

§6028. Penalties for late payment of rent

A landlord may assess a penalty against a tenant for late payment of rent according to this section.

1. Late payment. A payment of rent is late if it is not made within 15 days from the time the payment is due.

2. Maximum penalty. A landlord may not assess a penalty for the late payment of rent which exceeds 4% of the amount due for one month.

3. Notice in writing. A landlord may not assess a penalty for the late payment of rent unless the landlord gave the tenant written notice at the time they entered into the rental agreement that a penalty, up to 4% of one month's rent, may be charged for the late payment of rent.

Effective September 29, 1987.

## CHAPTER 216

H.P. 657 — L.D. 890

### AN ACT to Require the Use of Seat Belts in Driver Education Programs.

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4604, sub-§5 is enacted to read:

5. Use of seatbelts. The instructor and students are required to use seat belts during the behind-the-wheel instruction portion of the course.

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §9602, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 456, Pt. A, §113, is amended to read:

4. Curriculum at Class A schools. The Class A school curriculum shall consist of at least 30 hours of classroom instruction and 6 hours of behind the wheel instruction before a student may be issued a course completion certificate. Classroom instruction shall be limited to not more than 4 hours in any one 24-hour period. Instruction in motorcycle safety shall conform to standards which are established by the board. The instructor and students are required to use seat belts during the behind-the-wheel instruction.

Effective September 29, 1987.

## CHAPTER 217

H.P. 915 — L.D. 1227

### AN ACT to Create a Statewide Reservation System for State Parks that have Overnight Camping Facilities.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §602, sub-§19 is enacted to read:

19. State Park Reservation System. A State Park Reservation System shall be established and funded as provided in this subsection.

A. The director shall establish a statewide reservation system for overnight camping at state parks with overnight camping facilities incorporating a deposit system and a mechanism for accepting payments by credit card. Baxter State Park, the Allagash Wilderness Waterway and the Public Reserved Lands System are excluded from this system.

B. The money for this program shall be appropriated from the General Fund. A surcharge shall be collected on all reservations to be deposited in the General Fund.

C. The Bureau of Parks and Recreation shall submit a report detailing the effectiveness of the reservation system to the joint standing committee having jurisdiction over energy and natural resources in the Second Regular Session of the 114th Legislature. The committee shall report its findings no later than March 1, 1990.

Sec. 2. **Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1987-88    1988-89

#### CONSERVATION, DEPARTMENT OF

##### Bureau of Parks and Recreation

Positions	(1)	(1)
Personal Services	\$9,750	\$13,000
All Other	10,985	11,385
Capital Expenditures	8,500	
Total	\$29,235	\$24,985

These funds are for a full-time employee for 6 months in fiscal year 1987-88 and for 8 months in fiscal year 1988-89; 1 in-state WATS line; and equipment to implement the reservation system.

Sec. 3. **Effective date.** This Act shall take effect on January 1, 1988.

Effective January 1, 1988.