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§1057. Jail Operations Surcharge Fund

1. Fund established. There is hereby established a fund to be known as the Jail Operations Surcharge Fund. This fund shall be maintained by the Treasurer of State for the sole purpose of reimbursing counties for costs associated with operations of the jail system.

2. Surcharge imposed. A surcharge of 10% shall be added to every fine, forfeiture or penalty imposed by any court in this State. All funds collected as a result of this surcharge shall be deposited monthly in the Jail Operations Surcharge Fund.

3. Reimbursement to counties. Monthly, the Treasurer of State shall make payments from this fund to each county in direct proportion to the amount of revenue obtained from all courts within each county, provided a county may not receive an amount greater than the prior year's expenditures on its jail. The amount of total payments made to counties shall equal 2% of the total fines, forfeitures and penalties, including this surcharge, received by the Treasurer of State. The balance remaining in the Jail Operations Surcharge Fund at the end of each month shall accrue to the General Fund.

Sec. 4. 4 MRSA §1156, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 551, §1, is amended to read:

§1156. Fines

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, a judge of the Administrative Court, in his judicial discretion, may impose a fine of a specific sum, which shall not be less than \$50 nor more than \$1,500 for any one offense, or such other limits as the statutes relating to the licensing question may provide. Such a fine may be imposed instead of or in addition to any suspension, revocation or modification of a license by the court. Section 1057 applies to any fine imposed by this section.

The Administrative Court Judge shall maintain a record of all fines <u>and surcharges</u> received by the court and shall pay the fines into the General Fund of the State Treasury <u>and the surcharges into the Jail Operations</u> <u>Surcharge Fund</u> on or before the 15th day of each month.

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

Effective June 17, 1987.

CHAPTER 340

S.P. 415 – L.D. 1273

AN ACT to Maintain Lifeguard Services in State Government. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §602, sub-§10, as amended by PL 1973, c. 460, §19, is further amended to read:

10. <u>Employees</u>. To fix the duties of and to employ permanently or part time such employees and other personnel, subject to the <u>Personnel Civil Service</u> Law, as the bureau may from time to time deem necessary in the discharge of its duties under this chapter; and to accept gifts and bequests of money or other personal property to be used in advancing the recreational and conservation interests in state parks. <u>The Bureau of Parks and Recreation will designate an employee to serve as coordinator of lifeguard training</u>.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §602-A is enacted to read:

§602-A. Lifeguard training

The Bureau of Parks and Recreation shall oversee the existing lifeguard training being conducted by the Lifeguard Academy. The training procedures shall be in compliance with the guidelines for open-water lifeguard training, promulgated by the United States Lifesaving Association.

Effective September 29, 1987.

CHAPTER 341

S.P. 608 – L.D. 1798

AN ACT to Require Maintenance of Financial Responsibility by All Motorists.

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §2412, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. Motor vehicle insurance identification cards. Pursuant to this section, the superintendent, with the advice of the Secretary of State, shall prescribe a uniform motor vehicle insurance identification card form. The superintendent shall require all insurance companies transacting business within this State to provide with each motor vehicle liability insurance policy an insurance identification card for each vehicle, describing the vehicle covered. When an insured has 5 or more motor vehicles registered in this State, the insurer may use the designation "all owned vehicles" on each card in lieu of a specific description. This section is repealed on January 1, 1991.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2451 is enacted to read:

<u>§2451. Minimum 3-month policy for motor vehicle liability insurance</u>