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advertised for 3 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the property is located. The notice shall describe the real estate which is to be assessed so that a reasonable person may know, with probable certainty, what premises are to be subject to the tax, together with a statement that the property is to be assessed to an unknown owner as the result of the failure of a reasonable search to ascertain an owner of record. This newspaper publication shall be sufficient legal notice of that assessment. At the time of this publication, a copy of the same notice shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to each abutting property owner.

When this notice procedure is used for assessment purposes and if the owner of property is still unknown, the tax collector and treasurer shall use the same procedure for those notices required under sections 942 and 943.

Effective August 4, 1988.

CHAPTER 618

S.P. 865 — L.D. 2254

AN ACT Pertaining to Fire Permit Enforcement.

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

- Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §9321, sub-§5-A is enacted to read:
- 5-A. Notification. Any person authorized by this subchapter to issue permits for open burning who issues a permit for out-of-door burning within a municipality shall notify the municipal officers or fire chief of that municipality that the permit has been issued.
 - Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §9321-A is enacted to read:
- §9321-A. Possession and production of permit required; violation
- 1. Possession and production of permit in organized territory. Any person, firm or corporation which engages in out-of-door burning in any municipality, plantation or village corporation as permitted by this article shall possess the permit at the scene of the burning and shall produce the permit on the demand of authorized persons, including fire chiefs, town forest fire wardens or their designated agents, state forest rangers and any law enforcement officer as defined in Title 17-A.
- 2. Violation. Any person, firm or corporation which violates this section commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture not to exceed \$100 may be adjudged.

Effective August 4, 1988.

CHAPTER 619

H.P. 1517 — L.D. 2070

AN ACT to Require Dealers in All-Terrain Vehicles to Provide Written Warranties.

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

- Sec. 1. 12 MRSA 7851, sub-\(\frac{9}{2}\), as enacted by PL 1983, c. 297, \(\frac{9}{2}\)1 and 3, is amended to read:
- 2. All-terrain vehicle. "All-terrain vehicle" means a motor driven, off-road, recreational vehicle capable of cross-country travel on land, snow, ice, marsh, swampland or other natural terrain. It includes, but is not limited to, a multi-track, multi-wheel or low pressure tire vehicle; a motorcycle or related 2-wheel, 3-wheel or beltdriven vehicle; an amphibious machine; or other means of transportation deriving motive power from a source other than muscle or wind. For purposes of this subchapter, "all-terrain vehicle" does not include an automobile as defined in Title 29, section 1, subsection 1-C; a motor truck as defined in Title 29, section 1, subsection 6; a snowmobile; an airmobile; a construction or logging vehicle used in performance of its common functions; a farm vehicle used for farming purposes; a vehicle used exclusively for emergency, military, law enforcement or fire control purposes.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7855, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. Warranties and information on used ATV's. Any dealer who offers a warranty in connection with the sale or transfer of a used ATV shall furnish a written statement concerning that warranty. The statement regarding the warranty shall indicate the parts or systems of the vehicle that are covered and those not covered by the warranty and what the dealer will do in the event of a defect and at whose expense.

The dealer shall also furnish before sale a written statement identifying any and all defects known to the dealer and any type of damage that the vehicle has sustained if such information is known to the dealer.

Effective August 4, 1988.

CHAPTER 620

H.P. 1809 — L.D. 2475

AN ACT to Clarify the Access of the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services to Employee Records for Certification of Educational Personnel.

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