

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

AS PASSED BY THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

AS PUBLIC LAWS AND CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTIONS

at the

**THIRD SPECIAL SESSION**

September 15, 1988 to September 16, 1988

and the

**FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION**

November 28, 1988

AND

AS PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS AND RESOLVES

at the

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

December 3, 1986 to June 30, 1987

**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

October 9, 1987 to October 10, 1987

**SECOND SPECIAL SESSION**

October 21, 1987 to November 20, 1987

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**THIRD SPECIAL SESSION**

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and the

**FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION**

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**PUBLIC LAWS**

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Assistants and shall, subject to the Personnel Law, appoint the assistants to staff the Augusta office and district offices. Assistants are not attorneys, but should demonstrate a level of expertise roughly equivalent to that of insurance claims analysts. The purpose of employee assistants is to provide advice and assistance to employees under this Act and particularly to assist employees in preparing for and assisting at informal conferences under section 94-B. In addition, if an employer appeals a decision of the commission or institutes any proceeding against an employee under this Act, the Office of Employee Assistants shall, upon request, advise an employee how to best prepare for and proceed with his case.

No employee of the Office of Employee Assistants may represent before the commission any insurer, self-insurer, group self-insurer, adjusting company or self-insurance company for a period of 2 years after terminating employment with the office.

The chairman shall appoint 6 employee assistants and ~~a supervisor supervisors~~ of employee assistants. ~~After January 1, 1984, the chairman may appoint up to 5 additional assistants if, in the chairman's judgment, the additional assistants are as necessary to effectuate the purposes of this subsection.~~

**Sec. 2. Supplemental appropriations from the General Fund.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Workers' Compensation Commission the following sum to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1988-89

WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

Workers' Compensation Commission

Positions	(3)
Personal Services	\$ 68,696
All Other	20,665
Capital Expenditures	11,940
Total	\$101,300

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

Effective September 23, 1988.

**CHAPTER 878**

H.P. 1987 — L.D. 2691

**AN ACT to Correct a Technical Error in the Air Quality Law.**

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

Whereas, existing air quality laws refer to special sessions in a context which became inappropriate following the revisions to the Constitution of Maine in 1975; and

Whereas, these references will have the effect of voiding recent crucial revisions to the air quality regulations before the Legislature is able to review these regulations in a considered manner; and

Whereas, the premature voiding of these regulations will create great confusion in the regulated community and may potentially jeopardize the State's standing with the federal air quality program; 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:

**Sec. 1.** 38 MRSA §584, 4th ¶, as amended by PL 1983, c. 566, §36, is further amended to read:

The board shall by order establish or may amend reasonable ambient air quality standards for the region, regulating and limiting the amount and type of air contaminants which may exist in the ambient air of that region, which standards shall be designed to achieve the purposes set forth in this section. The order shall state the date upon which the standards, or any of them, become effective, and such regions and standards shall thereafter be in effect until 90 days after the date of adjournment of the next regular or special session of the Legislature unless the next regular or special session shall adopt by legislative enactment the air quality regions and standards.

**Sec. 2.** 38 MRSA §585, 4th ¶, as amended by PL 1971, c. 462, §2, is further amended to read:

Any emission standard or amendment thereto established by the board shall thereafter be in effect until 90 days after the date of adjournment of the next regular or special session of the Legislature unless such next regular or special session shall adopt by legislative enactment such emission standard or amendment thereto.

**Sec. 3.** 38 MRSA §585-A, 3rd ¶, as amended by PL 1983, c. 566, §40, is further amended to read:

The board shall by order establish or amend reasonable standards and rules which shall be designed to achieve the purposes set forth in this section. The order shall state the date upon which the standards and rules or any of them, become effective, and the standards shall thereafter be in effect until 90 days after the date of adjournment of the next regular or special session of the Legislature unless the next regular or special session shall adopt by legislative enactment the standards.

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

Effective September 23, 1988.