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PREFACE

The *Laws of Maine* is the official edition of the Legislative Session Laws of the State of Maine which is compiled and published pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 163-A.

This publication, which contains the public laws and constitutional resolutions of the First Regular Session of the 113th Legislature, consolidates the "pamphlet laws," so called, and the equivalent part of the *Laws of Maine* in a single soft-bound volume. The departure from two separate publications and the use of hard cover bindings produces a significant cost savings to the State and, through the development of electronic transmission of data, will enable commercial printing in a more timely fashion.

The private and special laws, resolves, tables and related papers which are also a part of the *Laws of Maine* will be published in another volume to follow at a later date.

To aid in the use of this publication of the session laws, the following information may be helpful.

1. At the top of each page is a running heading which indicates the individual classification of each law, the year and session of passage and its chapter number.

2. A table of contents which is designed to assist the user in locating major divisions and contents by page reference can be found at the beginning of the volume.

3. An individual subject index of public laws and constitutional resolutions arranged alphabetically by subject heading and chapter number to show changes made at the first regular session is located near the end of the volume.

4. A session cross reference table is also provided near the end of the volume to show how unallocated public laws, exempted in previous revisions, and Titles and sections of the Maine Revised Statutes of 1964 have been affected by the laws included in this publication.

5. Words deleted from the law, unless repealed by express language, are denoted by strike-through type.

6. New words or sections are denoted by underlined type.

7. Citations to a legislative document are printed beneath the chapter number heading to assist in locating the original source of each chapter.

8. It is important to note that chapter 408 of the Public Laws has been purposely omitted as it was an unused number and that the Act making unified appropriations and allocations from the expenditures of State Government was enacted as Private and Special Law, chapter 21, and is therefore not included in this volume.

9. The effective date for Maine laws is provided in the Constitution of Maine, Article IV, Part Third, Section 16 as follows:

“No Act or joint resolution of the Legislature, excepting such orders or resolutions as pertain solely to facilitating the performance of the business of the Legislature, of either branch, or of any committee or officer thereof, or appropriate money therefor or for the payment of salaries fixed by law, shall take effect until 90 days after the recess of the session of the Legislature in which it was passed, unless in case of emergency, which with the facts constituting the emergency shall be expressed by the preamble of the Act, the Legislature shall, by a vote of two thirds of all members elected to each House, otherwise direct. An emergency bill shall include only such measures as are immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety; and shall not include (1) an infringement of the right of home rule for municipalities, (2) a franchise or a license to a corporation or an individual to extend longer than one year, or (3) provisions for the sale or purchase or renting for more than 5 years of real estate.”

The effective date of nonemergency laws passed at the First Regular Session of the 113th Legislature, unless expressly provided otherwise, is September 29, 1987.

Individual revisions of departmental laws are not included here but may be available upon request from the respective departments and agencies. Also, copies of a specific chapter of a law may be obtained by contacting the Engrossing Division of this office.

This volume has been prepared and arranged for the user's convenience and any comments or suggestions which may lead to the improvement of the publication are welcomed.

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