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CHAPTER 54

S.P. 98 - L.D. 117

An Act to Clarify the Functions of Subregistrars

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

22 MRSA §2844, as amended by PL 1985, c. 231, §4, is further amended to read:

§2844. Subregistrars

The town or city clerk may appoint one or more suitable and proper persons in the municipality as subregistrars, who shall be authorized to issue burial permits and permits for transportation and final disposition of dead human bodies based upon a death certificate, in the same manner as is required of the town or city clerk. Permits may be issued by a subregistrar only when the town or city clerk or deputy clerk is not available. The said completed death certificate or report of death, upon which the permit is issued, together with a copy of the burial-transit permit shall be forwarded to the town clerk within 6 days after receiving the same at the earliest opening of the municipal office after the date of issue, and all permits by whomsoever issued shall be returned to the town clerk as required by section 2843. The appointment of subregistrars shall be made with reference to locality, so as to best suit the convenience of the inhabitants of the town, and such appointment shall be in writing and recorded in the office of the town or city clerk. The subregistrars in any town shall hold office at the pleasure of the town clerk.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 55

H.P. 165 - L.D. 230

An Act to Amend the Charitable Solicitations Act

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

Sec. 1. 9 MRSA §5004, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:

2-A. Fee for registration statement. Charitable organizations shall pay an initial and a renewal fee of \$25.

Sec. 2. 9 MRSA \$5005, sub-\$1, as amended by PL 1981, c. 456, Pt. A, \$26, is further amended to read:

1. Financial report. The following shall file a financial report with the commissioner within 6 months after the close of the at the same time as the annual renewal registration statement is filed; this financial report shall cover the organization's most recently audited fiscal year:

- A. The principal officer of every charitable organization registered pursuant to section 5004 and receiving more than \$30,000 in gross contributions during the organization's fiscal year; and
- B. Any chapter, branch or affiliate of a parent organization which receives, separate from contributions to the parent organization, more than \$30,000 in gross contributions during its fiscal year.
- **Sec. 3. 9 MRSA §5006, sub-§2,** as amended by PL 1981, c. 456, Pt. A, §30, is repealed.
- Sec. 4. 9 MRSA §5012, as amended by PL 1979, c. 678, §11, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§5012. Charitable solicitation disclosure

It shall be a violation of this chapter for:

- 1. Solicitation of contributions. Any person to solicit contributions from a prospective donor without fully disclosing to the prospective donor, at the time of solicitation but prior to the request for contributions, the name and address of the charitable organization for which the solicitation is being conducted; and
- 2. Solicitation by a professional charitable fund raiser. Any professional fund-raising counsel, professional solicitor or commercial coventurer, or any of its agents or persons acting on its behalf, to solicit contributions from a prospective donor without fully disclosing to the prospective donor at the time of solicitation but prior to the request for contributions:
 - A. The name and address of the professional fundraising counsel, professional solicitor or commercial coventurer; and

B. The following statement:

"(Insert name of professional fund-raising counsel, professional solicitor or commercial coventurer) is a professional charitable fund raiser."

Sec. 5. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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