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# **LAWS**

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

## AS PASSED BY THE

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## FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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Chapters 1-590

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- (2) Must state in a conspicuous location where the Secretary of State's certified copy is located.
- Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §8056-A, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 574, §6, is amended to read:

## §8056-A. Technical assistance; annual report

- 1. Checklist. The Secretary of State shall establish and implement a checklist that shall <u>must</u> be completed by agencies and attached to <del>proposed and</del> adopted rules filed with the Secretary of State after December 31, 1989. The checklist shall <u>must</u> include the timing of filing and notices as well as other procedural requirements of this subchapter.
- 2. Technical assistance. The Secretary of State shall develop <u>uniform</u> drafting instructions for use by <u>all</u> agencies that propose rules under this subchapter <u>and shall compile those instructions in a drafting manual</u>. In addition, the Secretary of State shall provide assistance to any agency regarding the form for drafting of rules and supporting materials and the other requirements of this subchapter.
- 3. Report. The Secretary of State shall report to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government prior to February 1st of each year with respect to rule-making activities for the prior year. The report shall must include statistical information on agency rulemaking activities, agency experience with procedural requirements of this subchapter, an evaluation of the codification process, the impact of the electronic text file data base on state agencies and users of the rules and recommendations for improvements to the rule-making process. In preparing the report, the Secretary of State shall solicit comments on this subchapter from agencies and their legal counsels, the Director of Legislative Oversight Executive Director of the Legislative Council and the public on this subchapter and recommended improvements.

See title page for effective date.

# **CHAPTER 555**

H.P. 335 - L.D. 465

An Act to Extend Coverage to Veterans' Stepchildren for Educational Assistance

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

Sec. 1. 37-B MRSA §505, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 460, §3, is amended by amending sub-¶(1) to read:

- (1) "Child" means a child whose mother or father is or was a veteran and the child:
  - (a) Is at least 16 years of age;
  - (b) Has graduated from high school; and
  - (c) Is not over 21 years of age at the time of first entering a vocational school or post-secondary educational institution or, if over 21 years of age upon that entry, is not over 25 years of age and had been unable to enter before the age of 21 years due to service in the United States Armed Forces.

"Child" also means a stepchild who is a member of a veteran's household either at the time of application or, in the event of the veteran's death, at the time of death, and who continues as a member of the household after the death of the veteran.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1991-92

1992-93

DEFENSE AND VETERANS' SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of Veterans' Services

All Other

\$1,500

\$1.500

Provides funds for tuition and educational assistance to veterans' stepchildren.

See title page for effective date.

#### CHAPTER 556

H.P. 190 - L.D. 283

An Act to Provide Due Process in Employment Decisions Affecting Public School Principals

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA c. 504 is enacted to read:

#### **CHAPTER 504**

### EMPLOYMENT OF PRINCIPALS