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PUBLIC LAWS

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1991

8 MRSA c. 24 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 24

ICE-SKATING SAFETY

§621. Short title

This chapter is known and may be cited as the "Ice-skating Safety Act."

§622. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

- 1. Ice-skating rink. "Ice-skating rink" means a building, facility or premises that provides an area used for ice-skating.
- 2. Operator. "Operator" means a private person or entity who owns or controls or who has operational responsibility for an ice-skating rink. An "operator" does not include the State or a political subdivision of the State.
- 3. Skater. "Skater" means a person in an ice-skating rink for the purpose of skating.

§623. Duties of operators

An operator shall:

- 1. Post duties. Post in conspicuous places at the ice-skating rink the duties of skaters and inherent dangers of skaters as provided in sections 624 and 625;
- 2. Maintain equipment. Maintain ice-skating equipment and ice-skating surfaces in a reasonably safe condition; and
- **3. Stability and legibility of notices.** Maintain the stability and legibility of all required signs, symbols and posted notices.

§624. Duties and conduct of skaters

- 1. Ability. Each skater shall know the range of that skater's ability to travel while on ice skates and shall skate within the limits of that ability.
- 2. Control. Each skater shall maintain control of the skater's speed and course at all times when skating and be alert and observant as to avoid other skaters, spectators and objects. A skater attempting to overtake other skaters shall do so in a manner that avoids collision with structures and other skaters in that skater's field of vision.

§625. Inherent dangers

Insofar as the dangers inherent in ice-skating are obvious, by participating in ice-skating, a person accepts those dangers. Those dangers include, but are not limited to, injuries that result from collisions with other skaters, injuries that result from falls and injuries that involve objects or artificial structures properly within the intended travel of the skater that are not otherwise attributable to a breach of the operator's common law duties.

§626. Violation; liability

A skater or operator who violates this chapter is liable to an injured person in a civil action for damages resulting from the violation.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 649

H.P. 1441 - L.D. 2053

An Act to Achieve Parity between the Authority of Loan Officers of State-chartered Credit Unions and the Authority of Loan Officers of Federally Chartered Credit Unions

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

- **9-B MRSA §845, sub-§2, ¶C,** as amended by PL 1991, c. 386, §23, is further amended to read:
 - C. A loan officer may not disapprove any loan application, but shall refer those applications to the board of directors or the full credit committee. Each loan officer shall furnish to the board of directors or credit committee a record of each application acted upon by that loan officer at the next meeting of the board of directors or committee after the date of filing of the application. If there is a credit committee, all applications not approved by the loan officer must be reviewed by the credit committee. The approval of a majority of the members who are present at the meeting when such review is undertaken is required to reverse the loan officer's decision, provided a majority of the full committee is present. If there is no credit committee, a member, upon written request, has the right of review by the board of directors of a loan application that has been denied. A loan officer may not disburse funds of the credit union for any loan approved by that loan officer in the capacity as loan officer.

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