

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

**AS PASSED BY THE**  
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In examining this topic, the committee may:

1. Meet as necessary;
2. Hold informational sessions for discussions with knowledgeable persons;
3. Conduct, summarize and analyze the results of a literature search;
4. Conduct, tabulate and analyze the results of a survey of the public or affected persons and groups;
5. Procure and analyze relevant data;
6. Conduct legal research and prepare opinions on legal questions within the scope of the study; and
7. Determine and summarize the legislative actions or governmental programs undertaken in other jurisdictions related to issues within the scope of the study.

**Sec. 5. Staff assistance.** No staffing for the committee is authorized.

**Sec. 6. Reimbursement.** No compensation or reimbursement for members of the committee is authorized.

**Sec. 7. Report.** The committee shall submit its report to the Joint Standing Committee on Legal Affairs no later than November 1, 1991.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 51

H.P. 928 - L.D. 1348

### An Act to Reinstitute the Township of Misery-Sapling Gore

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

**Sec. 1. P&SL 1989, c. 33 is repealed.**

**Sec. 2. Administration of Misery-Sapling Gore.** Those portions of Misery-Sapling Gore, T1, 2 and 3 R7 BKP WKR, in Somerset County, lying wholly within the unorganized territories, that were absorbed into the townships of Parlin Pond, T3 R7 BKP WKR; Misery, T2 R7 BKP WKR; and Sapling, T1 R7 BKP WKR, by Private and Special Law 1989, chapter 33, must be administered by the State for all purposes as if those portions were remaining in these respective townships, including, without limitation, the purposes of taxation and all other record keeping and reporting generally conducted on a township basis.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 52

S.P. 683 - L.D. 1811

### An Act to Annex the Town of Richmond to Lincoln County

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

**Whereas,** this legislation requires the Town of Richmond to conduct a town meeting and requires Lincoln County to hold a referendum in November of 1991; and

**Whereas,** pending approval of the voters, annexation of the Town of Richmond to Lincoln County is effective on January 1, 1992; and

**Whereas,** this legislation must be effective immediately in order to permit the timely conduct of these elections; 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. Annexation.** The Town of Richmond is removed from Sagadahoc County and annexed to and made part of Lincoln County.

**Sec. 2. Obligations to Sagadahoc County.** The obligations of the town to Sagadahoc County, existing on the day this Act is approved by the Legislature, continue after the town is made part of Lincoln County. The indebtedness of the Town of Richmond to the County of Sagadahoc must be determined in a just and equitable manner by the commissioners of Sagadahoc County and the municipal officers of Richmond by March 15, 1992.

**Sec. 3. Obligations to Lincoln County.** All obligations of the Town of Richmond to Lincoln County begin and are prorated as of January 1, 1992.

**Sec. 4. County seat.** The Town of Wiscasset remains the county seat of Lincoln County.

**Sec. 5. Referenda; effective date.** This Act must be submitted to the legal voters of the Town of Richmond at the regular town meeting in 1991 or at a special town meeting called for that purpose within 120 days of the approval of this Act by the Legislature. That special town meeting must be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elec-