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PUBLIC LAWS
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9-D. Pedestrian. "Pedestrian" means a person on foot or an operator of a wheelchair or a 4-wheeled or 3-wheeled motorized wheelchair.

Sec. 3. 29 MRSA §253, as amended by PL 1987, c. 415, §7, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 58

H.P. 83 - L.D. 113

An Act to Create a Program to Promote the Purchase of State-grown Produce by Needy Persons

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

Whereas, it is important that all people have easy access to fresh and nutritious food; and

Whereas, promoting the purchase of state-grown produce by those who are nutritionally deprived will benefit the consumer who may as a result eat more and fresh produce and also Maine farmers, food processors and food outlets; and

Whereas, unless this legislation is enacted as an emergency measure, the program may not be available for the 1993 harvest; 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. 7 MRSA c. 101, sub-c. II-B is enacted to read:

SUBCHAPTER II-B

STATE-GROWN PRODUCE PROGRAM

§471. Farmers' Market Program

The department, in cooperation with the Commissioner of Human Services or the commissioner's designee, shall adopt rules to institute and administer a program to promote the purchase of state-grown and processed food products at local farmers' markets and farmstands by nutritionally at-risk groups.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

Effective April 15, 1993.

CHAPTER 59

S.P. 65 - L.D. 127

An Act to Amend the Laws Related to Pawn Transactions

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

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §3960 is enacted to read:

§3960. Definitions

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

1. Pawn transaction. "Pawn transaction" means the lending of money on the security of pledged tangible personal property. The term also includes the purchase of tangible personal property on the condition that it may be repurchased by the seller for a fixed price within a fixed period of time.

2. Pawnbroker. "Pawnbroker" means a person who engages in pawn transactions.

Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §3962, as amended by PL 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

§3962. Account of business done and disclosure to consumer

1. Account kept. Every pawnbroker shall ~~keep a book~~ maintain records in which the pawnbroker shall enter:

A. The date, duration, amount ~~and~~, periodic rate of interest and annual percentage rate of every loan that is made;

A-1. The finance charge, due dates for payment and the total payment needed to redeem or repurchase the pawned property;

B. An accurate account and description of the property pawned; ~~and~~

B-1. The terms of redemption or repurchase, including any reduction in the finance charge for early redemption or repurchase and the right of the con-