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**Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §162, sub-§2,** as amended by PL 1983, c. 584, is further amended to read:

2. Legislative employee salary and benefit schedules. To establish salary schedules for all employees of legislative agencies, departments and offices, except as otherwise provided by law, to develop relatively uniform salary schedules for House and Senate employees and officers and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, to establish benefit schedules for legislative employees. Every publication that states the salary of an employee or a position must also include a statement of the dollar value of the fringe benefit package provided;

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §53 is enacted to read:

#### §53. Value of fringe benefits

Every state agency, department, board, commission, institution, authority or public instrumentality shall include in every publication that states the salary of an employee or a position a statement of the dollar value of the fringe benefit package provided. For purposes of this section, "fringe benefits" includes an employer's cost of an employee's health insurance, dental insurance and retirement but does not include the amount paid to cover any unfunded liability.

**Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §282, sub-§6,** as amended by PL 1989, c. 502, Pt. B, §1, is further amended to read:

**6.** Supervise. To supervise and direct the administration of the State Claims Commission-; and

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §282, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

7. Value of fringe benefits. To ensure that all publications that state the salary of an employee or of a position in State Government also include a statement of the dollar value of the fringe benefit package provided. For purposes of this subsection, "fringe benefits" includes an employer's cost of an employee's health insurance, dental insurance and retirement but does not include the amount paid to cover any unfunded liability.

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#### **CHAPTER 38**

#### S.P. 205 - L.D. 548

#### An Act to Correct Certain Statutory References in the Crime of Negotiating a Worthless Instrument

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

**Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §708, sub-§2, ¶B,** as enacted by PL 1975, c. 499, §1, is amended to read:

B. Payment was refused by the drawee for lack of funds upon presentation presentment made within a reasonable the time after negotiation or issue, as determined according to frame specified in Title 11, section 3 503 3-1304, and the drawer failed to make good honor the drawer's contract within 5 days after actual receipt of a notice of dishonor, as defined in Title 11, section 3-508 3-1503, provided that this time limit is tolled during one subsequent representment of the negotiable instrument.

Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §708, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 499, §1, is amended to read:

**3.** As used in this section, <u>unless the context</u> <u>otherwise indicates</u>, the following <u>definitions apply:</u> <u>terms have the following meanings</u>.

A. "Issue" has the meaning provided in Title 11, section 3-102 3-1105, subsection (1), paragraph(a);.

A-1. "Drawee" has the meaning provided in Title 11, section 3-1103, subsection (1), paragraph (b).

A-2. "Drawer" has the meaning provided in Title 11, section 3-1103, subsection (1), paragraph (c).

B. "Negotiable instrument" has the meaning provided in Title 11, section <u>3-104; 3-1104.</u>

C. "Negotiation" and its <u>varients</u> have the meaning provided in Title 11, section  $\frac{3-202}{3-1201}$ .

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#### CHAPTER 39

#### H.P. 412 - L.D. 569

#### An Act to Remove Restrictions on Compensation For Deputy District Attorneys

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

Whereas, the relative limit on compensation for deputy district attorneys is set in statute. That limit