

# LAWS

### **OF THE**

# **STATE OF MAINE**

### AS PASSED BY THE

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enforcement in fiscal year 1996-97. If, after October 1, 1997, the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the State Controller agree that the amount transferred under this section is not sufficient to fully reimburse the warden service for those expenditures, the State Controller shall transfer by October 30, 1997 those additional funds identified by the commissioner and the controller as necessary to fully reimburse the warden service for those expenditures the warden service for those costs.

**Sec. 5. Transfer of funds.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Controller shall transfer an amount equal to the amounts credited pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 7824, subsection 3, paragraph B, subparagraph (1-A) from the carrying balances-inland fisheries and wildlife program in each fiscal year beginning in fiscal year 1997-98 to the General Fund as undedicated revenue.

**Sec. 6. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1996-97 1997-98 1998-99

#### INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF

#### **Enforcement Operations**

All Other \$	642,000	\$24,536	\$24,536
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Provides allocations from the Snowmobile Enforcement Fund to authorize expenditures for snowmobile enforcement activities.

See title page for effective date.

#### **CHAPTER 514**

#### H.P. 342 - L.D. 464

#### An Act Regarding Potato Bin Pilers and Refund of Sales Tax

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §2013, sub-§1, ¶C, as repealed and replaced by PL 1993, c. 680, Pt. A, §30, is amended to read:

C. "Depreciable machinery and equipment" means that part of the following machinery and

equipment for which depreciation is allowable under the Code and repair parts for that machinery and equipment:

> (1) New or used machinery and equipment for use directly and primarily in commercial agricultural production, including selfpropelled vehicles, but excluding motor vehicles as defined in section 1752, subsection 7; attachments and equipment for the production of field and orchard crops; and new or used machinery and equipment for use directly and primarily in production of milk, animal husbandry and production of livestock, including poultry; and new or used machinery and equipment not used directly and primarily in commercial agricultural production, but used exclusively to transport potatoes from a truck into a storage location;

> (2) New or used watercraft, nets, traps, cables, tackle and related equipment necessary to and used directly and primarily in the operation of a commercial fishing venture, but excluding motor vehicles as defined in section 1752, subsection 7; or

> (3) New or used watercraft, machinery or equipment used directly and primarily for aquacultural production, including, but not limited to: nets; ropes; cables; anchors and anchor weights; shackles and other hardware; buoys; fish tanks; fish totes; oxygen tanks; pumping systems; generators; waterheating systems: boilers and related pumping systems; diving equipment; feeders and related equipment; power-generating equipment; tank water-level sensors; aboveground piping; water-oxygenating systems; fish-grading equipment; safety equipment; and sea cage systems, including walkways and frames, lights, netting, buoys, shackles, ropes, cables, anchors and anchor weights; but excluding motor vehicles as defined in section 1752, subsection 7.

See title page for effective date.

#### CHAPTER 515

#### S.P. 196 - L.D. 624

#### An Act to Expand the Family Medical Leave Laws

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