

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

**AS PASSED BY THE**  
**ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE**

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**December 2, 1998 to June 19, 1999**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**J.S. McCarthy Company**  
**Augusta, Maine**  
**1999**

water pollution control facilities through the sale of bonds.

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

Effective June 1, 1999.

## CHAPTER 376

S.P. 638 - L.D. 1805

### An Act to Ensure Prompt Payment of Unemployment Compensation Benefits to Displaced Workers

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

**Sec. 1.** 26 MRSA §1194, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Partial unemployment claim forms. An employer shall issue a properly completed partial unemployment claim form to each of the employer's employees who is customarily employed full time and who is given less than full-time hours during a week due to a lack of work, or who is given no work for one week due to a lack of work and who is not separated from that employer.

A. Partial unemployment claim forms for a week must be provided to eligible employees no later than the day that the payroll for that week is available to employees.

B. An employer who fails to provide a partial unemployment claim form in accordance with this subsection is subject to a fine of \$25 per day per form for each day the form is late.

C. An employer is not required to issue a partial unemployment claim form to an employee:

(1) Whose earnings or earnings plus holiday pay for the week exceed the maximum weekly benefit amount plus \$5; or

(2) Whose vacation or holiday pay for the week exceeds the maximum weekly benefit amount.

D. The Director of Unemployment Compensation may authorize the use of partial unemployment claim forms for periods of 2 or more consecutive weeks in which the employee is given no work.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 377

H.P. 1592 - L.D. 2240

### An Act to Revise the Salaries of Certain Kennebec County Officers

**Mandate preamble.** This measure requires one or more local units of government to expand or modify activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, two thirds of all of the members elected to each House have determined it necessary to enact this measure.

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

Whereas, it has become necessary to revise the salaries of certain county officers of Kennebec County; and

Whereas, it is desired to have these revisions retroactive to January 1, 1999; 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.** 30-A MRSA §2, sub-§1-B, ¶B, as repealed and replaced by PL 1997, c. 721, §1 and affected by §2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

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#### B. Kennebec County:

(1) Commissioners	
(a) Chair	\$8,042
(b) Members	7,510
(2) Treasurer	9,634
(3) Sheriff	42,172
(4) Judge of Probate	21,134
(5) Register of Probate	26,676
(6) Register of Deeds	28,487