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LAWS

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STATE OF MAINE

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tary of State may issue a permit to a specific truck tractor. The fee is \$80 for one year or \$140 for 2 years. The permittee may use the truck tractor to draw any semitrailer subject to this subsection. The Secretary of State shall issue an identification decal of such size and design as the Secretary of State prescribes that must be permanently affixed to the exterior of the truck tractor.

- **Sec. 27. 29-A MRSA \$2401, sub-\$5-A,** as enacted by PL 1995, c. 368, Pt. AAA, \$5, is repealed.
- **Sec. 28. 29-A MRSA §2412-A, sub-§1, ¶E,** as enacted by PL 1995, c. 368, Pt. AAA, §12, is amended to read:
 - E. Has failed to answer, pay a fine or to appear in court pursuant to a notice or order specified in section 2605 or 2608.
- **Sec. 29. 29-A MRSA §2412-A, sub-§6,** as enacted by PL 1995, c. 368, Pt. AAA, §12, is repealed.
- **Sec. 30. 29-A MRSA §2507,** as amended by PL 1997, c. 437, §45, is repealed.

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

Effective June 10, 1999.

CHAPTER 471

H.P. 306 - L.D. 422

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding when A Merchant Must Remit Sales Tax

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA \$1951-A, sub-\$2, as amended by PL 1993, c. 395, \$16, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 472

H.P. 1443 - L.D. 2064

An Act to Increase Load Weight on Farm Vehicles Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

- Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA \$505, sub-\$2, $\P\P$ R to U are enacted to read:
 - R. For gross weight from 54,001 to 58,000 pounds, the fee is \$378.
 - S. For gross weight from 58,001 to 62,000 pounds, the fee is \$401.
 - T. For gross weight from 62,001 to 66,000 pounds, the fee is \$446.
 - U. For gross weight from 66,001 to 69,000 pounds, the fee is \$467.
- Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §505, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:
- **3. Maximum weight.** The maximum registered weight of a farm truck is 54,000 69,000 pounds, including product. The fine for exceeding the registered gross weight of a farm truck is the difference between the fee for a farm truck and a commercially registered truck or truck tractor within the category of the actual weight at the time of the violation.
- Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §2353, sub-§7 is enacted to read:
- 7. Exemption; farm vehicles transporting potatoes. A farm vehicle transporting potatoes from the field to a storage or processing facility during the potato harvesting season is exempt from the axle weight limits and axle weight tolerance restrictions imposed by this chapter, except for the weight limits imposed under section 2355. To be eligible for this exemption, the farm vehicle must be in compliance with the gross weight limits established in this chapter and must have at least 8,000 pounds on the steering axle. This exemption does not apply on the Interstate Highway System, including that portion designated as the Maine Turnpike.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 473

H.P. 690 - L.D. 957

An Act to Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2000 and June 30, 2001