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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, the Public Utilities Commission may amend the following rules in the following manner to bring them into conformity with the provisions of this Act without holding hearings or conducting other formal proceedings.

1. The Public Utilities Commission shall amend Chapter 305: Licensing Requirements, Annual Reporting, Enforcement and Consumer Protection Provisions for Competitive Provision of Electricity to bring it into conformity with the provisions of this Act by amending section 4, subsection A, paragraph 1 to provide that the consumer protections established under section 4 of that rule apply to residential and small commercial consumers as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 3203, subsection 4. Nothing in this subsection may be interpreted as converting any portion of Chapter 305 into a major substantive rule pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

2. The Public Utilities Commission shall amend Chapter 306: Uniform Information Disclosure and Informational Filing Requirements to bring it into conformity with the provisions of this Act by amending section 2, subsection A, paragraph 3 to provide that the uniform information disclosure requirements established under section 2 of that rule apply to residential and small commercial consumers as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 3203, subsection 4. Modification of the rule consistent with this subsection does not require further legislative approval pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

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

Effective April 10, 2000.

CHAPTER 658

H.P. 1839 - L.D. 2577

**An Act to Alter Eligibility for
Lobster and Crab Fishing Licenses
for Persons Who are 65 Years of Age
or Older**

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6421, sub-§5, ¶F, as amended by PL 1999, c. 397, §2, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 659

H.P. 1877 - L.D. 2613

**An Act to Clarify Application of the
Employment Leave Law for Victims
of Violence**

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA c. 7 is amended by inserting before §850 the following:

SUBCHAPTER VI-B

**EMPLOYMENT LEAVE FOR VICTIMS OF
VIOLENCE**

Sec. 2. 26 MRSA §850, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

4. Application. This subchapter applies to all public and private employers, including the State and its political subdivisions.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 660

H.P. 1904 - L.D. 2649

**An Act to Allow Registration of Low-
speed Vehicles on Certain Islands**

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §101, sub-§32-A is enacted to read:

32-A. Low-speed vehicle. "Low-speed vehicle" means a 4-wheeled automobile that is able to attain a speed of at least 20 miles per hour but not more than 25 miles per hour and does not exceed 1800 pounds in unloaded weight. "Low-speed vehicle" does not include an ATV as defined in Title 12, section 7851. A low-speed vehicle must be originally manufactured and maintained in accordance with the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards as a low-speed vehicle pursuant to 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 571.500 (1998).

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §501, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is repealed.

Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §501, sub-§2-A is enacted to read: