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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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(b) Appreciation resulting from reinvested income and capital gain unless either or both spouses had a substantial active role during the marriage in managing, preserving or improving the property.

(2) "Increase in value" does not include:

- (a) Appreciation resulting from the investment of marital funds or property in the nonmarital property;
- (b) Appreciation resulting from marital labor; and
- (c) Appreciation resulting from reinvested income and capital gain if either or both spouses had a substantial active role during the marriage in managing, preserving or improving the property.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 666

H.P. 1787 - L.D. 2507

An Act to Establish a Commemorative Day Recognizing Major-General Henry Knox

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

Whereas, July 25, 2000 is the 250th anniversary of the birth of Major-General Henry Knox, of Thomaston, Revolutionary War hero and Secretary of War under President George Washington; and

Whereas, in order to expedite timely commemoration ceremonies and events and to have this legislation in time for the actual date of the anniversary; 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. 1 MRSA §138 is enacted to read:

§138. Major-General Henry Knox Day

July 25th of each year is designated as Major-General Henry Knox Day, and the Governor shall annually issue a proclamation inviting and urging the people of the State to observe this day in suitable places and with appropriate ceremony and activity. The Department of Education shall make appropriate information available to the people and the schools, within its budget, to honor Major-General Henry Knox, of Thomaston, Revolutionary War general and hero and Secretary of War under President George Washington.

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

Effective April 11, 2000.

CHAPTER 667

H.P. 1845 - L.D. 2582

An Act to Correct the Inadvertent Repeal of the Abandoned Property Disposition Process for Municipalities

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

Whereas, municipalities currently holding abandoned property have no process by which to return the property or otherwise dispose of it; 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 §3106 is enacted to read:

§3106. Disposition of abandoned property

- 1. **Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.
 - A. "Covered property" means all tangible property, other than tangible property described in Title 33, section 1954, located in or on real estate acquired by a political subdivision through tax delinquency proceedings pursuant to Title 36 or through any similar procedure created by statute for the collection of unpaid taxes, assessments,