

# 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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**January 5, 2000 to May 12, 2000**

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**PUBLISHED BY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES**  
**IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**J.S. McCarthy Company**  
**Augusta, Maine**  
**2000**

elects the method of payment under subsection 1, or who elects a method of payment other than that provided under subsection 1 and who designates a beneficiary other than the qualifying member's spouse must notify the spouse that the spouse is not the beneficiary. Proof that the spouse has been notified must be provided:

A. By written certification of the spouse, duly notarized, on a form provided or specified by the retirement system indicating that notice has been received from the qualifying member; or

B. When notice has been given but certification by the spouse has not been provided, by written certification of the qualifying member, duly notarized, on a form provided or specified by the retirement system indicating that notice has been given to the spouse.

Payment of the qualifying member's service benefit may not commence until certification has been received by the executive director.

**Sec. 15. 5 MRSA §18405, first ¶**, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 801, §5 and 7, is amended to read:

If the recipient of a reduced service retirement benefit under section 18404, subsection 3, 4 ~~or 5~~, 5-A or 5-B remarries after the recipient's spouse dies, the following provisions apply.

**Sec. 16. 5 MRSA §18405-A, first ¶**, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 604, §5, is amended to read:

If the recipient of a reduced service retirement benefit under section 18404, subsection 3, 4 ~~or 5~~, 5-A or 5-B is granted a divorce either after retirement or before a retirement beneficiary is named, the following provisions apply.

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

Effective May 3, 2000.

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**CHAPTER 745**

**S.P. 503 - L.D. 1504**

**An Act to Amend the Lobbyist Registration Fee Provisions**

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

**Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §313**, as amended by IB 1995, c. 1, §7, is further amended to read:

**§313. Registration of lobbyists and employers**

Every employer of a lobbyist and every lobbyist and lobbyist associate who lobbies on behalf of that employer shall register jointly at the office of the commission no later than 15 business days after commencement of lobbying and pay a registration fee ~~determined by the commission. The fee must be at least \$400~~ of \$200 for the registration of each lobbyist and ~~at least \$200~~ \$100 for the registration of each lobbyist associate or such other amounts as the commission determines approximate the cost to the commission of administering and enforcing the provisions of this chapter.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 746**

**H.P. 1699 - L.D. 2405**

**An Act to Increase the Number of Domestic Violence Prosecutors**

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §204-A** is enacted to read:

**§204-A. Annual report**

The Attorney General, working with the district attorneys of the State, shall submit a report that compiles data from domestic violence prosecutors statewide to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over judiciary matters on an annual basis. The first report must be submitted no later than October 1, 2001.

**Sec. 2. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from the Federal Expenditures Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

**2000-01**

**ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
DEPARTMENT OF**

**District Attorneys' Salaries**

Positions - Legislative Count (1,000)  
Personal Services \$53,260

Provides funds to establish one Assistant District Attorney position for Cumberland County to assist in the

prosecution of domestic violence cases.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 747**

**H.P. 1797 - L.D. 2522**

**An Act to Establish a Memorial Dedicated to the Civilian Conservation Corps**

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRS** §308 is enacted to read:

**§308. Establishment of memorial to Civilian Conservation Corps**

The Capitol Planning Commission shall construct and maintain a memorial dedicated to the Civilian Conservation Corps in honor of those who served and in recognition of their contributions to the State. The memorial must be located and constructed in accordance with a plan approved by the Capitol Planning Commission and the Legislative Council. Subject to available funding, the memorial must be completed by October 1, 2000. In addition, construction of the memorial must be in accordance with the following provisions.

**1. Location.** The memorial must be located immediately west of the main entrance to the Cultural Building that houses the Maine State Library, the Maine State Museum and the Maine State Archives in the State House complex.

**2. Memorial design and inscription.** The memorial must be of a design that is the same or similar to the memorial erected by the State of Michigan to honor the Civilian Conservation Corps. It must be a bronze casting approximately 6 feet in height of a Civilian Conservation Corps worker and must be placed on an elevated base constructed in whole or in part of stone or other natural materials. The area adjacent to the memorial must be landscaped with natural plantings following completion of the memorial.

The memorial must have a bronze plaque placed upon it on which is inscribed the following or similar language as determined by the Legislative Council:

"In Honor Of The Young Men Of The Civilian Conservation Corps Who Changed the Face Of Maine From 1933 To 1942 By Building Parks, Roads, Trails, Forests And Citizenship, Leaving A Lasting Legacy To The Conservation Of Natu-

ral Resources For Which All Citizens Of Maine Owe A Debt Of Gratitude."

**3. Funding.** The Capitol Planning Commission may accept state and local funds, gifts and other contributions to be used solely to carry out the purposes of this section. All contributions or other funds received must be reported in writing to the Legislative Council at least quarterly. The Capitol Planning Commission shall make use of the services provided by the Maine Conservation Corps within the Department of Labor as feasible and appropriate.

**4. Maintenance of historical and educational information.** The State Archivist shall maintain and make available to the public a listing of persons who served in the Civilian Conservation Corps in Maine, if known, including the periods of service and projects on which they worked. In addition, the Director of the Maine State Museum shall develop and display an educational plaque regarding the memorial and the Civilian Conservation Corps and its accomplishments in this State in the main entrance to the Cultural Building. Funds received by the Capitol Planning Commission pursuant to subsection 3 may be used to pay the costs of developing the plaque.

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

**2000-01**

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Civilian Conservation Corps Memorial**

All Other \$10,000

Provides one-time funds for a portion of the costs of establishing a Civilian Conservation Corps memorial.

**Sec. 3. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue funds to carry out the purposes of this Act.

**2000-01**

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Civilian Conservation Corps Memorial**