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STATE OF MAINE

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the State is an adverse party or has any interest adverse to the person or persons in whose behalf he that judge acts.

- Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §18055, sub-§1, ¶C, as corrected by RR 1999, c. 2, §4 and affected by §5, is amended to read:
 - C. Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court and Judges of the District Court and the Administrative Court; and
- **Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §18061, sub-§2, ¶B,** as amended by PL 1993, c. 386, §4 and PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §78 and affected by §80, is further amended to read:
 - B. The reduction set out in paragraph A, subparagraph (1) does not apply to any Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court or Superior Court, to any Judge of the District Court or District Administrative Court, nor to any retired justice or judge who was insured and who was living on September 14, 1979.
 - (1) The initial amount of basic life insurance that continued into retirement for any justice or judge must be continued in force at no cost to the justice or judge until the justice or judge reaches 70 years of age.
 - (2) When a justice or judge reaches 70 years of age, the amount of insurance in force must be reduced to 25% of the initial amount of basic life insurance that continued into retirement. This reduction becomes effective at 12:01 a.m. of the day following the date on which the justice or judge reaches 70 years of age.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect March 15, 2001.

Effective March 15, 2001.

CHAPTER 13

S.P. 22 - L.D. 38

An Act to Increase the Fine for Allowing a Dog to Roam at Large

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

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §3915, as amended by PL 1997, c. 690, §12, is further amended to read:

§3915. Violation

Any person who violates this chapter commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture of not less than \$50 nor more than \$250 may be adjudged for a first violation and not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 for 2 or more violations.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 14

H.P. 165 - L.D. 176

An Act Providing for the Revocation of a Driver's License upon Conviction for Certain Crimes

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2463 is enacted to read:

<u>\$2463. Revocations upon conviction of certain crimes under Maine Criminal Code</u>

- 1. Recording; notice by the Secretary of State. On receipt of an attested copy of the court record of any person who, as a result of the operation of a motor vehicle in such a manner as to cause serious bodily injury or bodily injury to any person or create a substantial risk of serious bodily injury or place another person in fear of imminent bodily injury, has been convicted of assault, aggravated assault, elevated aggravated assault, criminal threatening, reckless conduct or an attempt thereat, or who has been adjudicated to have committed the juvenile offenses of assault, aggravated assault, elevated aggravated assault, criminal threatening, reckless conduct or an attempt thereat, the Secretary of State shall immediately revoke the person's license without further hearing for an indefinite period of time.
- **2. Appeal.** Unless the court orders otherwise, a person's license that is revoked pursuant to this section remains revoked during the course of any appeal.
- 3. Pleas. For the purposes of this section, a person is deemed to have been convicted of assault, aggravated assault, elevated aggravated assault, criminal threatening, reckless conduct or an attempt thereat if the person pleaded guilty or nolo contendere or was otherwise adjudged or found guilty by a court of competent jurisdiction. In the case of a juvenile offender, the juvenile is deemed to have been adjudicated of having committed a juvenile offense of assault, aggravated assault, elevated aggravated assault, criminal threatening, reckless conduct or an attempt thereat if the juvenile admits to the juvenile offense or was otherwise adjudged or found to have committed the juvenile offense by a court of competent jurisdiction.