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CHAPTER 107

S.P. 204 - L.D. 769

**An Act to Change the Job Title of
County Administrator to County
Manager for York County**

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

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §82, sub-§4, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 104, Pt. A, §2 and Pt. C, §10, is amended to read:

B. The county commissioners of York County ~~shall~~ are entitled to receive the salary specified in section 2, regardless of whether that county has a full-time county ~~administrator~~ manager.

Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §82, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. York County manager required. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, no later than January 1, 2002, the county commissioners of York County shall hire a full-time county manager, who works under their direction to oversee the implementation of county policy and the day-to-day administration of county operations. The appointment, compensation and tenure of the manager are the same as provided for a county administrator pursuant to subsections 1 and 2. The manager:

A. Is responsible for the administration of all departments and offices controlled by the county commissioners;

B. In conjunction with the county commissioners, department heads and budget committee, shall develop a proposed county budget for the coming year, which must be presented to the commissioners no later than October 1st;

C. Shall keep the county commissioners and the county legislative delegation informed as to the financial condition of the county and collect all data necessary to prepare the budget;

D. Shall attend all meetings of the county commissioners, except when the manager's removal or suspension is being considered; and

E. Shall carry out other administrative duties assigned by the commissioners.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 108

H.P. 817 - L.D. 1071

**An Act to Prohibit the Exclusion of
Legal Counsel as a Condition of
Settlement**

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

Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §169 is enacted to read:

**§169. Restriction of attorney's representation
prohibited**

A settlement of litigation may not include a condition that an attorney representing a party in that litigation is not permitted to represent other persons who are similarly situated in a related action involving a party that the attorney opposed in the settled litigation. A condition not in compliance with this section is void and unenforceable as against public policy.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 109

S.P. 45 - L.D. 213

**An Act to Clarify Mixed Automobile
Insurance**

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §2902, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

7. Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection 2 relating to the amount of uninsured motor vehicle coverage required to be maintained under motor vehicle insurance policies subject to the Maine Automobile Insurance Cancellation Control Act and policies in the assigned risk plan established pursuant to section 2325 securing private passenger auto insurance coverage, a policy providing uninsured motor vehicle coverage underwritten on a commercial policy form approved for use in this State must provide coverage in an amount not less than the minimum limits for bodily injury liability insurance provided for under Title 29-A, section 1605, subsection 1. Coverage provided to an insured pursuant to this subsection does not obligate the insured to affirmatively reject an offer of higher limits of uninsured motor vehicle coverage. This subsection may not be construed to limit or compel an insured's