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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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that the department's determination is appealed to Superior Court pursuant to this paragraph, forfeiture of the claimant's right to receive reimbursement of taxes under Title 36, chapter 915 may not occur unless the Superior Court, subject to any appeal to the Law Court, finds that the claimant had not substantially complied with the reporting requirements of this section.

5. Rules. Rules adopted by the commissioner under this section are routine technical rules as defined in chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §13070-K, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 761, §2, is amended to read:

§13070-K. Economic development incentive contract

If the commissioner enters into a contractual relationship with ~~an employer~~ a business regarding the provision of an economic development incentive in return for the ~~employer's~~ business's agreement to locate, expand or retain its facilities in the State, that contract must contain a statement of the State's expected public benefit from its investment of public funds.

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §13070-L, as amended by PL 1999, c. 768, §3, is repealed.

Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §13070-M, as amended by PL 1999, c. 768, §4, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 482

H.P. 1496 - L.D. 1999

**An Act to Clarify Recent
Amendments to the Maine Consumer
Credit Code**

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

Whereas, in Public Law 2001, chapter 82 the Legislature amended the law to provide customers with the option of deferring a first payment of interest on the purchase of an automobile for a period of up to 12 months so as to allow customers the same options available to consumers in other states and to allow new car automobile dealers in the State to compete effectively by providing to Maine consumers the same products offered by dealers in neighboring states; and

Whereas, a question has arisen as to the interpretation of the language contained in Public Law 2001, chapter 82; and

Whereas, the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation has issued Joint Advisory Ruling #109, which addresses the questions raised in connection with that law; and

Whereas, a delay in amending the law will affect transactions occurring daily throughout the State to the detriment of consumers and businesses; 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. 9-A MRSA §3-308, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2001, c. 82, §1, is further amended to read:

3. A schedule of payments may provide for the deferral of the first periodic payment subsequent to any down payment for a period of not more than 12 months, except that interest or costs may not accrue in connection with the deferral of the first periodic payment if the deferral is for a period of time in excess of 90 days;

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

Effective February 21, 2002.

CHAPTER 483

H.P. 1457 - L.D. 1954

**An Act to Repeal the Sunset
Provision Regarding the State Police
Providing Services at Cost to
Governmental and Nongovernmental
Entities**

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

Whereas, current law allowing the State Police to provide services to governmental and nongovernmental entities at cost will expire on July 30, 2002; and