# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### **LAWS**

### **OF THE**

## **STATE OF MAINE**

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to a political subdivision, educational institution, <u>fire department</u> or qualifying nonprofit organization if it is determined that the political subdivision, educational institution, <u>fire department</u> or qualifying nonprofit organization has not retained the equipment for the required period of 6 months;

**Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §1813-A,** as amended by PL 1991, c. 716, §6, is further amended to read:

#### §1813-A. Sale of surplus property

- **1. Definitions.** As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.
  - A. "Educational institution" means any public elementary or secondary school, any elementary or secondary private school approved for tuition whose school enrollment is at least 60% publicly funded students as determined by the previous school year's October to April average enrollment, any nonpublic post-secondary school or any applied technology region.
  - C. "Qualifying nonprofit organization" means a public or private nonprofit entity that owns or operates a project or facility for the homeless or a nonprofit organization that has been determined to be exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 501 (c) and that provides services to persons with physical or mental handicaps as defined in section 4553, subsection 7-A.
  - D. "Fire department" means a department required to report to the State Fire Marshal pursuant to Title 25, section 2395.
- 2. Surplus property. Pursuant to this chapter and rules promulgated adopted under section 1813, the Department of Administration and Financial Services through the Bureau of Purchases General Services shall allow private sales of surplus property to homeless shelter sponsors and to educational institutions.
- 3. Computers to fire departments. Notwith-standing any requirement of this chapter or rules adopted pursuant to this chapter, a fire department may purchase one personal computer from the Bureau of General Services to be used for reporting to the State Fire Marshal as required under Title 25, section 2395. The Bureau of General Services may charge a fire department only the reasonable administrative and handling costs of no more than \$35 for the purchase of a personal computer under this subsection.

See title page for effective date.

#### **CHAPTER 530**

#### H.P. 1442 - L.D. 1939

### An Act to Allow Landowner Permits to be Issued for Turkey Hunting

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

Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the beginning of the wild turkey hunting season; 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. 12 MRSA §7468, sub-§13** is enacted to read:

13. Landowner; wild turkey permit. A wild turkey permit system adopted by the commissioner pursuant to this section may include a provision giving special consideration to landowners who keep their lands open to hunting by the public. Any 2 or more areas of land owned by the same person that are open for hunting and that would be contiguous except for being divided by one or more roads are considered contiguous for the purposes of determining landowner eligibility for special consideration under this subsection.

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

Effective March 14, 2002.

#### CHAPTER 531

H.P. 1494 - L.D. 1997

An Act Regarding Fire Safety Laws for Residential Care Facilities

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

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §7904-A, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 1997, c. 728, §9, is further amended to read: