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plate may not be loaned, used in place of registration plates on another vehicle, used for personal reasons or used on the towing vehicle. Issuance of a trailer transit license and plate does not exempt the holder from compliance with any state law or municipal ordinance governing the movement of mobile homes, storage trailers, modular homes or frames for transporting modular homes or light trailers over the highways of this State and does not exempt the holder from required permits or certificates prior to moving the vehicles. Trailer transit plates issued pursuant to this subsection may only be used subject to the following conditions.

- A. A storage trailer must be empty during transportation.
- B. A light trailer may be transported with a load appropriate for the light trailer, provided that the load is owned by or in the custody of the transporting business.
- C. A light trailer may be transported with a trailer transit plate only if the business owner or an employee of the business accompanies the vehicle transporting the light trailer.

Fees for trailer transit licenses and plates are established in section 852. Trailer transit licenses are exempt from section 951, subsection 6.

For purposes of this subsection, "business" means a corporation, firm, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship or other commercial entity. For the purposes of this subsection, "modular home" has the same meaning as in Title 30-A, section 4358, subsection 1, paragraph A, subparagraph (2).

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

Effective May 13, 2003

CHAPTER 133

S.P. 148 - L.D. 430

An Act To Clarify Ownership Rights to Repossessed Vehicles

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §665, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. Repossession. Upon the exercise of the right to take possession of a vehicle by a lienholder that is a supervised financial organization as defined in Title

9-A, section 1-301, ownership of the vehicle vests in the lienholder, subject to the rights granted to the owner and the duties imposed on the lienholder under Title 9-A, Article 5, Part 1 and Title 11, Article 9-A, Part 6.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 134

S.P. 247 - L.D. 709

An Act To Require Public Meetings prior to Dam Removal

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §480-E, sub-§12 is enacted to read:

12. Dam removal. A person intending to file an application for a permit to remove an existing dam must attend a preapplication meeting with the department and must hold a public informational meeting prior to filing the application. The preapplication meeting and the public informational meeting must be held in accordance with the department's rules on the processing of applications.

Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §634, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

4. Dam removal. A person intending to file an application for a permit to remove an existing dam must attend a preapplication meeting with the department and must hold a public informational meeting prior to filing the application. The preapplication meeting and the public informational meeting must be held in accordance with the department's rules on the processing of applications.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 135

H.P. 374 - L.D. 485

An Act Clarifying the Maine Consumer Credit Code

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

Sec. 1. 9-A MRSA §2-502, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1977, c. 564, §44, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 9-A MRSA §2-502, sub-§3-A is enacted to read: