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## STATE OF MAINE

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public disclosure of the subject matter of the records or meetings would adversely affect the competitive position of the Maine potato industry or segments of the industry.

**Sec. 5. 36 MRSA §4606, first** ¶, as amended by PL 1995, c. 702, §2 and affected by §4, is further amended to read:

Money received by the Treasurer of State under this chapter, including all receipts of taxes levied under section 4605, must be transferred to the board in its capacity as an independent agency on a monthly basis and used for all activities of the board authorized under this chapter. The board shall pay a sum to the State Tax Assessor representing the actual cost incurred by the State in collecting the taxes, except that the sum paid to the State Tax Assessor for collecting taxes may not be greater than 5% of the total tax collected annually. Notwithstanding section 4603, subsection 1, money received by the Treasurer of State under this chapter, including all receipts of taxes levied under section 4605, must be allocated or appropriated to the board by the Legislature.

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

Effective May 20, 2005.

#### **CHAPTER 177**

H.P. 316 - L.D. 431

An Act To Allow Certain Unregistered All-terrain Vehicles To Participate in Special Events in the State

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

Whereas, it is necessary that this legislation take effect immediately in order to allow nonresident all-terrain vehicle users to participate in special events in the State this spring and summer; 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 §13155, sub-§1-A, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §406 and affected by §422, is amended to read:

- A. The following exceptions apply.
  - (1) Registration is not required for an ATV operated on land on which the owner lives or on land on which the owner is domiciled, as long as the ATV is not operated elsewhere within the jurisdiction of the State.
  - (2) Registration is not required for an ATV operated by a commercial ski area for the purpose of packing snow or for rescue operations on the commercial ski area, unless the ATV is required to cross a public way during that operation.
  - (3) An ATV owned and operated in the State by the Federal Government, the State or a political subdivision of the State is exempt from registration fees but must be registered and is required to display registration numbers.
  - (4) An ATV registration for the farm use specified in Title 29-A, section 501, subsection 8, paragraph E is not required for a vehicle registered with the Secretary of State under Title 29-A, section 501, subsection 8.
  - (5) An ATV registered in another state or in a Canadian province may be operated without being registered pursuant to this section at a special event organized to occur in this State if the special event organizer submits a request in writing to the commissioner 60 days prior to the special event and provides the commissioner with a map of the trails to be used during the special event and the commissioner approves the request.

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

Effective May 20, 2005.

### **CHAPTER 178**

H.P. 715 - L.D. 1030

An Act To Strengthen Certain Student Support Services within the Maine Community College System

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