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**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Penmor Lithographers**  
**Lewiston, Maine**  
**2005**

**7. Recovery of expenses and costs.** The costs for telecommunications relay services must be recovered ~~in the same manner as any other costs for the provision of services by local exchange carriers. Nothing in this section limits the ability of the commission to determine the reasonableness of the costs for providing these services through the state universal service fund pursuant to section 7104, subsection 7.~~

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 306**

**H.P. 557 - L.D. 780**

**An Act To Allow a Landlord To Discover Whether Sewer and Water Bills Have Been Paid**

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

**Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §3406-A** is enacted to read:

**§3406-A. Landlord access to tenant bill payment information**

If a tenant is billed for municipal sewer service provided to property rented by the tenant and non-payment for the service may result in a lien against the property, the municipality shall provide to the landlord or the landlord's agent, on request of the landlord or the landlord's agent, the current status of the tenant's sewer service account, including any amounts due or overdue.

**Sec. 2. 35-A MRSA §6111-B** is enacted to read:

**§6111-B. Landlord access to tenant bill payment information**

If a tenant is billed for water utility service provided to property rented by the tenant and nonpayment for the service may result in a lien against the property, the utility shall provide to the landlord or the landlord's agent, on request of the landlord or the landlord's agent, the current status of the tenant's account, including any amounts due or overdue.

**Sec. 3. 38 MRSA §1207-A** is enacted to read:

**§1207-A. Landlord access to tenant bill payment information**

If a tenant is billed for sewer service provided to property rented by the tenant and nonpayment for the service may result in a lien against the property, the sanitary district shall provide to the landlord or the

landlord's agent, on request of the landlord or the landlord's agent, the current status of the tenant's account, including any amounts due or overdue.

**Sec. 4. 38 MRSA §1252, sub-§11** is enacted to read:

**11. Landlord access to tenant bill payment information.** If a tenant is billed for sewer service provided to property rented by the tenant and non-payment for the service may result in a lien against the property, the sewer district shall provide to the landlord or the landlord's agent, on request of the landlord or the landlord's agent, the current status of the tenant's account, including any amounts due or overdue.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 307**

**H.P. 419 - L.D. 564**

**An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Student Code of Conduct**

**Mandate preamble.** This measure requires one or more local units of government to expand or modify activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, 2/3 of all of the members elected to each House have determined it necessary to enact this measure.

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §1001, sub-§15, ¶F,** as amended by PL 2001, c. 644, §1, is further amended to read:

F. Establish policies and procedures concerning the removal of disruptive or violent students or students threatening death or bodily harm to others from a classroom or a school bus, as well as student disciplinary and placement decisions, when appropriate; ~~and~~

**Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §1001, sub-§15, ¶G,** as enacted by PL 1999, c. 351, §2, is amended to read:

G. Establish guidelines and criteria concerning the appropriate circumstances when the superintendent or the superintendent's designee may provide information to the local police or other appropriate law enforcement authorities regarding an offense that involves violence committed