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§4430. Employees

1. Employees. The board of directors of the Maine Port Authority may hire employees as the board considers necessary to fulfill its purposes. The board may also contract for the services of assistants, attorneys, experts, inspectors and consultants as the board considers necessary or desirable for its purposes.

2. Retirement. Employees of the Maine Port Authority are subject to the state retirement system provisions of Title 5, Part 20 and the state employee health insurance program under Title 5, chapter 13, subchapter 2.

The retirement accounts of state employees transferred to the authority in its capacity as an independent agency must remain in the state regular plan. New employees of the authority shall also become members of the Maine State Retirement System under the state regular plan. The authority shall make employer retirement plan contributions at the state regular plan rate. Employee retirement plan contributions are at the state regular plan rate.

Authority employees are entitled to receive the same retirement health benefits as state employees.

3. Fringe benefits. The accrued fringe benefits of state employees transferred to the Maine Port Authority in its capacity as an independent agency, including vacation and sick leave, health and life insurance and retirement, remain with the transferred employee.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 135

H.P. 713 - L.D. 938

An Act To Delay the Effective Date of Changes to Motor Vehicle Inspection Rules

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1769, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Delay in effective date. Except for emergency rules adopted under Title 5, section 8054, rules adopted under this section take effect 30 days after filing with the Secretary of State under Title 5, section 8056, subsection 1, paragraph B.

Sec. 2. Retroactivity. This Act applies retroactively to December 15, 2006.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 136

S.P. 290 - L.D. 902

An Act To Amend the Maine Health Data Organization Laws

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §8702, as amended by PL 2005, c. 253, §2, is further amended to read:

§8702. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

1. Board. "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Maine Health Data Organization established pursuant to section 8703.

1-A. Carrier. "Carrier" means an insurance company licensed in accordance with Title 24-A, including a health maintenance organization, a multiple employer welfare arrangement licensed pursuant to Title 24-A, chapter 81, a preferred provider organization, a fraternal benefit society or a nonprofit hospital or medical service organization or health plan licensed pursuant to Title 24. An employer exempted from the applicability of Title 24-A, chapter 56-A under the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, 29 United States Code, Sections 1001 to 1461 (1988) is not considered a carrier.

2. Clinical data. "Clinical data" includes but is not limited to the data required to be submitted by providers, and payors, 3rd party administrators and carriers that provide only administrative services for a plan sponsor pursuant to sections 8708 and 8711.

3. Financial data. "Financial data" includes but is not limited to financial information required to be submitted pursuant to section 8709.

4. Health care facility. "Health care facility" means a public or private, proprietary or not-for-profit entity or institution providing health services, including, but not limited to, a radiological facility licensed under chapter 160, a health care facility licensed under chapter 405 or certified under chapter 405-A, an independent radiological service center, a federally qualified health center certified by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, a rural health clinic or rehabilitation agency certified or otherwise approved by the Division of Licensing and Certification Regulatory Services within the Department of Health and Human Services, a home health care provider licensed under chapter 419, an assisted living program or a residential care facility licensed under chapter 1663, a hospice provider licensed under chap-