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business in this State or a credit union authorized to do business in this State or a financial institution holding company or an affiliate of a financial institution holding company that is authorized to do business in this State may not, in connection with the extension of credit, interfere with a purchaser's or borrower's free choice of an accounting, tax or attest services provider who is accredited as a certified public accountant, public accountant or enrolled agent, except that the financial institution or credit union may require the provider chosen by the purchaser or borrower to provide adequate evidence of liability insurance or such other written policy requirements as the financial institution or credit union may determine necessary to protect its interest.

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CHAPTER 186 H.P. 1049 - L.D. 1487

An Act To Amend the Laws Relating to Automotive Reflective and Tinted Glass

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

- **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1916, sub-§1, ¶C,** as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:
 - C. A side window or rear window is composed of, covered by or treated with a material that has allows a light transmittance of less than 50% 35% net of glass and material; or
- **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1916, sub-§2, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:
 - A. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to:
 - (1) A certificate or other paper required or allowed by law to be displayed;
 - (2) The label attached to a window showing the price, estimated mileage and other federally mandated information commonly known as the manufacturer's suggested retail price label:
 - (3) Sun-screening or window-tinting material along a 4 inch strip at above the AS-1 line in the top portion of the windshield or, if there is no AS-1 line in the top portion of the windshield, along a 5-inch strip at the top of the windshield. For purposes of this paragraph, "AS-1 line" means the marking that includes the letters "AS," the number "1" and an arrow that is required to be placed on certain safety

glazing materials pursuant to 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 571.205 (2006); or

(4) Motor vehicles for which the Chief of the State Police has granted an exception because the health of the owner or a person who usually occupies the vehicle is adversely affected by sunlight. The Chief of the State Police may, upon proper application, provide the owner of a motor vehicle with a certificate of exemption that must be displayed upon the request of a law enforcement officer.

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CHAPTER 187 S.P. 527 - L.D. 1500

An Act To Allow the Department of Environmental Protection To Charge Interest for Late Payment of Fees

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

- Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §353, sub-§9 is enacted to read:
- 9. Finance charges. In addition to other remedies specifically authorized in this Title, the department shall charge interest at a rate of 15% per annum and may pursue enforcement, including, but not limited to, penalties pursuant to section 349 and suspension or revocation pursuant to section 341-D, subsection 3 for the failure of a licensee to pay any portion of licensing fees owed by the date due.

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CHAPTER 188 H.P. 1052 - L.D. 1502

An Act To Clarify and Update the Laws Related to Property and Casualty Insurance

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

PART A

Sec. A-1. 24-A MRSA §2303, sub-§3-A, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 797, §6 and affected by §§37 and 38, is repealed.