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- Pt. B, §6, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
- **3. Division.** "Division" means the division of environmental health within the Department of Health and Human Services.
- **Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §775,** as enacted by PL 1989, c. 657, §1, is amended to read:

§775. Radon mitigation; registration required

A person may not offer advice or plans to reduce the level of radon in new or existing structures or contract to modify an existing structure in a manner intended to reduce the level of radon unless registered with the division.

- **Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §776, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 1989, c. 657, §1, is amended to read:
- 2. New construction. A builder utilizing preventive or safeguarding measures in new construction as recommended in "Radon resistant Residential New Construction" EPA/60018 881087 published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency or an equivalent publication as determined by the department specified in the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code, adopted pursuant to Title 10, chapter 1103;

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CHAPTER 145 H.P. 566 - L.D. 759

An Act To Increase Efficiency and Effectiveness in the Licensing of Certain Health and Human Services Providers

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §20024, as amended by PL 1991, c. 850, §5, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

A treatment facility or program that receives and maintains accreditation from a national accrediting body approved by the department must be deemed in compliance with comparable state licensing rules upon its submission to the department of written evidence of compliance including, but not limited to, national accreditation approval, reports, findings and responses. The department may review compliance under this paragraph in response to a complaint against the facility or program.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §7801, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

- 6. National accreditation. A person, firm, corporation or association operating a program or facility described under subsection 1 that receives and maintains accreditation from a national accrediting body approved by the department must be deemed in compliance with comparable state licensing rules upon its submission to the department of written evidence of compliance including, but not limited to, national accreditation approval, reports, findings and responses. The department may review compliance under this subsection in response to a complaint against the program or facility.
- Sec. 3. 34-B MRSA §1203-A, sub-§8 is enacted to read:
- 8. National accreditation. An agency or facility required to obtain a license under this section that receives and maintains accreditation from a national accrediting body approved by the department must be deemed in compliance with comparable state licensing rules upon its submission to the department of written evidence of compliance including, but not limited to, national accreditation approval, reports, findings and responses. The department may review compliance under this subsection in response to a complaint against the agency or facility.

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CHAPTER 146 H.P. 748 - L.D. 1012

An Act To Require a Mortgagee To Provide the Original Release of Mortgage to the Mortgagor after the Release Is Recorded

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

Sec. 1. 33 MRSA §551, 2nd ¶, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 230, §1 and affected by §2, is amended to read:

Within 60 days after full performance of the conditions of the mortgage, the mortgage shall record a valid and complete release of mortgage together with any instrument of assignment necessary to establish the mortgagee's record ownership of the mortgage. Within 30 days after receiving the recorded release of the mortgage from the registry of deeds, the mortgagee shall send the release by first class mail to the mortgagor's address as listed in the mortgage agreement or to an address specified in writing by the mortgagor for this purpose. As used in this paragraph, the term "mortgagee" means both the owner of the mortgage at the time it is satisfied and any servicer who receives the final payment satisfying the debt. If a release is