# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## **LAWS**

### **OF THE**

# **STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

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Augusta, Maine 2012

Uniform Building and Energy Code by the Technical Building Codes and Standards Board, established in Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 5-A within the Department of Public Safety, energy efficiency or green energy workforce development activities of the Department of Labor or the Maine Jobs Council State Workforce Investment Board and energy efficiency and weatherization programs administrated by the Maine State Housing Authority.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 628 H.P. 1362 - L.D. 1841

#### An Act To Ensure Funding for the Victims' Compensation Fund

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §3360-I, first** ¶, as amended by PL 1993, c. 570, §1, is further amended to read:

As part of the sentence or fine imposed, the court shall impose an assessment of \$25 on any person convicted of murder, a Class A crime, a Class B crime or a Class C crime and \$10 on any person convicted of a Class D crime or a Class E crime. Notwithstanding any other law, the court may not waive the imposition of the assessment required by this section. For purposes of collection and collection procedures, these assessments are this assessment is considered part of the fine. At the time of commitment, the court shall inform the Department of Corrections or the county sheriff of any unpaid balances on assessments owed by the offender to the Victims' Compensation Fund. All funds collected as a result of these assessments accrue to the Victims' Compensation Fund.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

# ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE

#### Victims' Compensation Board 0711

Initiative: Allocates funds to reflect an increase in revenue as a result of prohibiting a court to waive the Victims' Compensation Fund assessment.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	\$0	\$28,934

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

\$0 \$28,934

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### CHAPTER 629 S.P. 667 - L.D. 1889

#### An Act To Amend the Liquor Laws of the State

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

- **Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §2, sub-§11-A,** as enacted by PL 1993, c. 730, §8, is repealed.
- **Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §2, sub-§15, ¶I,** as enacted by PL 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4, is amended to read:
  - I. "Incorporated civic organization" means any charitable or nonprofit civic organization incorporated as a corporation without stock under Title 13, chapter 81 or Title 13-B.
- **Sec. 3. 28-A MRSA §2, sub-§15, ¶M,** as amended by PL 1995, c. 558, §2, is further amended to read:
  - M. "Outdoor stadium" means any commercially operated outdoor facility with 5,000 3,000 or more fixed seats designed or used for the playing of any sport or event, or any outdoor facility with 3,000 or more seats at times when that facility is being used for the playing of professional baseball, that is open to the general public, charges a fee and has adequate facilities for the sale and consumption of wine and malt liquor.
- **Sec. 4. 28-A MRSA §2, sub-§16-A,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 539, §3, is further amended to read:
- 16-A. Low-alcohol spirits product. "Low-alcohol spirits product" means a product containing spirits that has an alcohol content of  $\frac{6\%}{8\%}$  or less by volume.
- Sec. 5. 28-A MRSA §2, sub-§29-B is enacted to read:
- **29-B.** Small winery. "Small winery" means a facility that is fermenting, aging and bottling its own wine, not to exceed 50,000 gallons per year.
- Sec. 6. 28-A MRSA c. 9, as amended, is repealed.