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CHAPTER 132

S.P. 296 - L.D. 847

An Act To Permit Hair Braiding without a Barbering or Cosmetology License

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, many new Americans who had hair braiding businesses in their countries of origin would like to start hair braiding businesses in Maine and current Maine cosmetology and barbering regulations are burdensome and inapplicable for individuals who want to open within their communities shops that offer only hair braiding services; and

Whereas, an exemption from licensure for hair braiding services would help many individuals start small businesses and assist with their participation in the Maine economy, which benefits all citizens of the State; and

Whereas, this legislation needs to take effect before the end of the 90-day period in order to benefit the economy as soon as possible; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §14203, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

3. Hair braiding. A person who provides only hair braiding services is not subject to licensure under this chapter.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective June 2, 2015.

CHAPTER 133

H.P. 672 - L.D. 975

An Act Regarding Travel Insurance in the Maine Insurance Code

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §601, sub-§31 is enacted to read:

31. Supervising travel insurance producer. Supervising travel insurance producer licensing fees may not exceed:

A. Original license issuance fee, \$500; and

B. Annual renewal fee, \$300.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §1420-F, sub-§1, ¶H, as enacted by PL 2001, c. 259, §24, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

H. Travel insurance, which is a limited line and which means insurance coverage for personal risks incident to planned travel, including but not limited to:

(1) Interruption or cancellation of a trip or event:

(2) Loss of baggage or personal effects;

(3) Damages to accommodations or rental vehicles; or

(4) Sickness, accident, disability or death occurring during travel.

Travel insurance does not include a major medical plan that provides comprehensive medical protection for travelers on trips lasting 6 months or longer:

Sec. 3. 24-A MRSA §1420-H, sub-§3, ¶B, as enacted by PL 2001, c. 259, §24, is amended to read:

B. An applicant for a license as a limited insurance producer who solicits or sells travel and baggage insurance;

Sec. 4. 24-A MRSA c. 90 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 90

LIMITED LINES TRAVEL INSURANCE

<u>§7051. Short title</u>

This chapter may be known and cited as "the Limited Lines Travel Insurance Act."

§7052. Definitions

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

1. Designated responsible producer. "Designated responsible producer" means the individual licensed producer responsible for ensuring compliance by the supervising travel insurance producer with travel insurance laws and rules of the State.

2. Offer and disseminate. "Offer and disseminate" means providing general information, including