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PREFACE

The Cumulative Index provides access to the Laws of Maine, as well as selected Joint Resolutions, Memorials, Addresses, Orders and Proclamations for the years 1989 to 2005, encompassing the work of all sessions of the 114th Legislature, the 115th Legislature, the 116th Legislature, the 117th Legislature, the 118th Legislature, the 119th Legislature, the 120th Legislature, the 121st Legislature and the 122nd Legislature. This issue of the Cumulative Index is a companion to Volumes 1-3 of the <u>1989</u> Laws of Maine, Volumes 1-3 of the <u>1991 Laws of Maine</u>, Volumes 1-3 of the <u>1995 Laws of Maine</u>, Volumes 1-3 of the <u>1995 Laws of Maine</u>, Volumes 1-3 of the <u>2003 Laws of Maine</u> and Volumes 1-3 of the 2005 Laws of Maine.

The Cumulative Index provides two types of access to the <u>Laws of Maine</u>: a subject index, which incorporates both key words and legal concepts, and cumulative cross-reference tables, which provide access to the laws through title and section.

This edition of the Cumulative Index will be the fourth publication for the years beginning 1989. It incorporates the material in the volume published in 1992, the volume published in 1996 and the volume published in 2002. This edition is intended to be a permanent cumulative index for 1989 to 2006. A separate, permanent Cumulative Index is available for the years 1964 to 1988.

HOW TO USE THE CUMULATIVE INDEX

The Subject Index uses a hierarchical structure that includes major, minor and detailed subject listings. This hierarchical format guides the user from the general subject to various aspects of that subject. The minor and detailed terms are designed to narrow the general subject until they focus the user on the topic(s) actually covered in a particular law. There are usually multiple entries for each chaptered law.

In addition to the major, minor and detail entries, cross-references provide additional guides to lead users to the information they need.

- "See" references are used to lead users from terms that are not used for indexing to the closest synonym that is an authorized index term (e.g., Senior Citizens -- See Elderly).
- "See Also" references direct the user to additional terms that are closely related or information on a topic (e.g., Insurance -- See Also Life Insurance).

The Subject Index employs several conventions designed to help users conduct their searches efficiently. Because the Index has been generated through a computerized sorting process, the alphabetization of the entries is affected. An abbreviated word such as "St" (Saint) is alphabetized as the word actually appears rather than as it would be if written out in full.

An attempt has been made to use words in their proper order. For example, previously the topic, "Court Procedure, Civil" was used, and now the entry used is "Civil Procedure." In general the word "Maine" at the beginning of the names of state agencies or acts is either dropped or changed to "State"; however, it is retained in the names of private organizations. Similarly, the words "Department" and "Commission" appear at the end of the index term even when that is not the natural word order.

Finally to conserve space, the Index uses the ampersand (&) instead of "and," apostrophes are not used, and no space is left after commas.

The Cross Reference Tables summarize the changes resulting from laws enacted between 1989 and 2005. The first table relates to the Maine Revised Statutes, the second to Public Law sections since 1964 not allocated to the statutes and the third to Public Law sections exempted in the 1964 revision.

The Tables employ the following abbreviations:

| Abbreviation | Definition |
|--------------|--------------------------|
| AFF | Affected By |
| AMD | Amended By |
| COR | Corrected By |
| IB | Initiated Bill |
| NEW | New Section |
| PL | Public Law |
| P&S | Private and Special Law |
| RAL | Reallocated By |
| REN | Reenacted By |
| RNU | Renumbered By |
| RP | Repealed By |
| RPR | Repealed and Replaced By |
| RR | Revisor's Report |

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