

4. **Hearings.** A party to a hearing is entitled to be heard ~~and to have the subpoenas issued by the commission in the manner described in Title 5, section 9060 9056.~~

**Sec. 4. 35-A MRSA §1321**, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 141, Pt. A, §6, is amended to read:

**§1321. Orders altered or amended**

The commission may at any time rescind, alter or amend any order it has made including an order fixing any rate or rates, tolls, charges or schedules, ~~provided only if it gives the public utility and all parties to the original proceeding, to the extent practical, written notice as provided in section 1304 and after opportunity for those parties to be heard as provided in section 1304 present evidence or argument, as determined appropriate by the commission.~~ Certified copies of amended orders shall ~~must~~ be served and take effect as provided for original orders.

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**CHAPTER 227**

**H.P. 906 - L.D. 1282**

**An Act to Correct Obsolete  
References to Justices of the Peace**

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

**Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §3101** is amended to read:

**§3101. Call of meetings**

When 4 or more persons are owners and occupants of a private way or bridge, any 3 of them may make written application to a ~~justice of the peace notary public~~ to call a meeting, who may issue his a warrant setting forth the time, place and purpose ~~thereof of the meeting~~, a copy of which shall ~~must~~ be posted at some public place in the town 7 days before such time. When so assembled, they may choose a clerk and a surveyor, to be sworn, and they may determine what repairs are necessary and the materials to be furnished or amount of money to be paid by each owner ~~therefor for the repairs~~ and the manner of calling future meetings.

**Sec. 2. 33 MRSA §1053** is amended to read:

**§1053. Appraisal if value \$10 or more**

Every finder of lost goods or stray beasts of the value of \$10 or more shall, within 2 months after finding and before using them to their disadvantage, procure a warrant from the town clerk or a ~~justice of the peace notary public~~, directed to 2 persons

appointed by said clerk or justice ~~notary~~, not interested except as inhabitants of the town, returnable at said clerk's office within 7 days from its date, to appraise said goods under oath.

**Sec. 3. 33 MRSA §1054** is amended to read:

**§1054. Restitution to appearing owner; money or goods**

If the owner of such lost money or goods appears within 6 months, and if the owner of such stray beasts appears within 2 months after said notice to the town clerk and gives reasonable evidence of his ownership to the finder, ~~he the owner~~ shall have restitution of them or the value of the money or goods, paying all necessary charges and reasonable compensation to the finder for keeping, to be adjudged by a ~~justice of the peace of the county the district court~~, if the owner and finder cannot agree.

**Sec. 4. 38 MRSA §851** is amended to read:

**§851. Meeting of mill owners; call; object**

When an owner of a mill or of the dam necessary for working it ~~the mill~~ thinks it necessary to rebuild or repair it in whole or in part, ~~he the owner~~ may apply in writing to a ~~justice of the peace notary public~~ in the county where ~~the mill~~ is situated, or if partly in 2 counties, to a ~~justice of the peace notary public~~ in either, to call a meeting of the owners, stating the object, time and place of the meeting. ~~Such justice~~ ~~The notary~~ may issue his a warrant for the purpose, directed to ~~such the owner~~, which shall ~~must~~ be published in some newspaper printed in ~~such the~~ county, if any, 3 weeks successively, the last publication to be not less than 10 nor more than 30 days before the meeting; or a true copy of the warrant may be delivered to each of said owners or left at ~~his the~~ ~~owner's last and usual place of abode known address~~; and either notice is binding on all the owners.

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**CHAPTER 228**

**H.P. 685 - L.D. 936**

**An Act to Clarify the Discretion of  
the Commission on Governmental  
Ethics and Election Practices in  
Assessing Penalties**

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