**§9881. Compacting state; effective date; amendment--Article 11**

**1. Eligibility.**  Any state, as defined in section 9872, is eligible to become a compacting state.

[PL 2003, c. 495, §1 (NEW).]

**2. Effective date.**  The compact becomes effective and binding upon enactment of the compact into law by no fewer than 35 of the states. The initial effective date is July 1, 2001, or upon enactment into law by the 35th state, whichever is later. After the initial effective date, the compact becomes effective and binding, as to any other compacting state, upon enactment of the compact into law by that state. The governors of nonmember states or their designees will be invited to participate in interstate commission activities on a nonvoting basis prior to adoption of the compact by all states and territories of the United States.

[PL 2003, c. 495, §1 (NEW).]

**3. Notification.**  The executive director of the interstate commission shall notify the Secretary of State of the State of Maine upon enactment of the compact into law by no fewer than 35 states.

[PL 2003, c. 495, §1 (NEW).]

**4. Nonapplicability.**

[PL 2005, c. 397, Pt. A, §41 (RP).]

**5. Amendment.**  Amendments to the compact may be proposed by the interstate commission for enactment by the compacting states. An amendment does not become effective and binding upon the interstate commission and the compacting states unless it is enacted into law by unanimous consent of the compacting states.

[PL 2003, c. 495, §1 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 2003, c. 495, §1 (NEW). PL 2005, c. 397, §A41 (AMD).

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