**§701. Title; purpose**

This chapter may be cited as the "Maine Emergency Management Act." It is the purpose of this chapter to: [PL 2001, c. 614, §3 (AMD); PL 2001, c. 662, §72 (AMD).]

**1. Agency.**  Establish the Maine Emergency Management Agency to lessen the effects of disaster on the lives and property of the people of the State through leadership, coordination and support in the 4 phases of emergency management: mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery;

[PL 2001, c. 662, §72 (AMD).]

**2. Local organizations.**  Authorize the creation of local organizations for emergency management in the political subdivisions of the State;

[PL 2001, c. 614, §4 (AMD); PL 2001, c. 662, §72 (AMD).]

**3. Emergency powers.**  Confer upon the Governor and the executive heads of governing bodies of the political subdivisions of the State certain emergency powers;

[PL 2013, c. 146, §1 (AMD).]

**4. Mutual aid.**  Provide for the rendering of mutual aid among the political subdivisions of the State and with other states and provinces of Canada for the accomplishment of emergency management functions; and

[PL 2013, c. 146, §2 (AMD).]

**5. Homeland security.**  Authorize the Maine Emergency Management Agency to coordinate the State's homeland security-related preparedness, response, recovery, prevention and protection activities.

[PL 2013, c. 146, §3 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1983, c. 460, §3 (NEW). PL 1987, c. 370, §14 (AMD). PL 2001, c. 614, §§3,4 (AMD). PL 2001, c. 662, §72 (AMD). PL 2003, c. 510, §A32 (AMD). PL 2013, c. 146, §§1-3 (AMD).

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