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PUBLIC LAW

## **STATE OF MAINE**

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN

H.P. 462 - L.D. 648

## An Act To Expand the Types of Nonprofit Organizations to Which Surplus Property May Be Sold by the State

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

- **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1828, sub-§1, ¶B,** as amended by PL 2011, c. 9, §1, is further amended to read:
  - B. "Qualifying nonprofit organization" means:
    - (1) A public or private nonprofit entity that owns or operates a project or facility for the homeless; or
    - (2) A nonprofit organization that has been determined to be exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c) and that provides services to persons with physical or mental handicaps as defined in section 4553, subsection 7-A;
    - (3) A nonprofit organization that has been determined to be exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c) and that contracts with the Department of Health and Human Services to provide vehicles to low-income families to assist them in participating in work, education or training; or
    - (4) A nonprofit organization that has been determined to be exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c) and that houses animals and operates for the purpose of providing stray, abandoned, abused or owner-surrendered animals with sanctuary or finding the animals temporary or permanent adoptive homes.
    - (5) A nonprofit organization that has been determined to be exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Section 501(c).
- Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §1828, sub-§2, as amended by PL 2011, c. 9, §2, is further amended to read:

- **2. Surplus property.** Pursuant to this chapter and rules adopted under section 1813, the Department of Administrative and Financial Services through the Bureau of General Services shall allow private sales of surplus property to:
  - A. Nonprofit organizations that contract with the Department of Health and Human Services to provide affordable vehicles to low-income families to assist them in participating in work, education or training;
  - B. Homeless shelter sponsors;
  - C. Educational institutions; and
  - D. Nonprofit organizations that house animals and operate for the purpose of providing stray, abandoned, abused or owner-surrendered animals with sanctuary or finding the animals temporary or permanent adoptive homes.
  - E. Nonprofit organizations that have been determined to be exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Section 501(c).