

**Maine Revised Statutes**  
**Title 37-B: DEFENSE, VETERANS**  
**AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

**Chapter 13: MAINE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

**§701. TITLE; PURPOSE**

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

[ 2001, c. 662, §72 (AMD) . ]

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

[ 2001, c. 614, §4 (AMD); 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;

[ 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

[ 2013, c. 146, §2 (AMD); 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.

[ 2013, c. 146, §3 (NEW) . ]

**SECTION HISTORY**

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

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