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**PROPOSALS**

**AGENCY: 02-030 Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection**

**CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: Ch. 300, Collection Agencies: Application and Record Keeping Requirements**

**TYPE OF RULE: Routine Technical**

**PROPOSAL FILING NUMBER: 2025-P089**

**BRIEF SUMMARY:** This rule repeals license application and renewal requirements for collection agencies in Chapter 300 superseded by requirements in Bureau Rule Chapter 705, clarifies surety coverage requirements for residential real estate property preservation provider and debt buyer licensees, and repeals the requirement that licensees receive pre-approval of form letters used in communicating with Maine debtors.

**PUBLIC HEARING** *(if any)*:

**COMMENT DEADLINE:** August 1, 2025

**CONTACT PERSON FOR THIS FILING:** Steven Lemieux, Principal Examiner; Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection; 35 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333; Linda.conti@maine.gov; Phone: (207) 624-8527; Fax: (207) 582-7699; TTY Users Call Maine Relay 711

**CONTACT PERSON FOR SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT** *(if different)*: Same

**FINANCIAL IMPACT ON MUNICIPALITIES OR COUNTIES** *(if any)*: None

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THIS RULE:** 32 M.R.S.§§ 11034 and 11031(2).

**SUBSTANTIVE STATE OR FEDERAL LAW BEING IMPLEMENTED** *(if different)*:

**AGENCY WEBSITE:** <https://www.maine.gov/pfr/consumercredit/index.shtml>

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**ADOPTIONS**

**AGENCY: 94-411 Maine Public Employees Retirement System**

**CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: Ch. 104, Limitations on Earnable Compensation for Purposes of Calculating Average Final Compensation of State Employee and Teacher Members**

**ADOPTION FILING NUMBER: 2025-123**

**CONCISE SUMMARY:**

This rule implements 5 M.R.S. § 17001(13(C), the provisions in the Maine Public Employees Retirement System statute relating to limitations or “caps” on earnable compensation for the purposes of determining average final compensation for state employee and teacher members. The adopted rule amends the current rule. Under the adopted rule, all earnable compensation increases to a member in a collectively-bargained position or that results from receiving a promotion would be excluded from the cap.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**: **Monday, June 9, 2025**

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**AGENCY: 65-407 Maine Public Utilities Commission**

**CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: Ch. 616, Customer Notification Requirements and Specific Exemptions from Regulatory Requirements for Consumer-Owned Water Utilities
ADOPTION FILING NUMBER: 2025-112**

**CONCISE SUMMARY:**

The Public Utilities Commission amends Chapter 616. By these amendments, the Commission adds a provision to require that consumer-owned water utilities that elect to adjust rates pursuant to 35-A M.R.S. § 6104-B provide individual notice to customers at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the rate adjustment.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**: **Saturday, June 14, 2025**

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