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THE GOVERNORNO. 7FY 85/86
DATE December 16, 1985PROHIBITION OF SMOKING IN STATE WORKPLACES
EXCEPT IN DESIGNATED AREAS

WHEREAS the "Workplace Smoking Act of 1985", 22 MRSA Sec. 1580-A, takes effect on January 1, 1986; and

WHEREAS that Act requires all employers, including the State, to have "a written policy concerning smoking and non-smoking by employees"; and

WHEREAS that Act requires that "the policy shall prohibit smoking except in designated smoking areas" for the stated purpose of protecting the employer and employees from the detrimental effects of smoking by others; and

WHEREAS smoking is already prohibited at all State executive proceedings to which the public is invited by virtue of Executive Order No. 9FY 78/79;

NOW, THEREFORE, I JOSEPH E. BRENNAN, Governor of the State of Maine do hereby order:

1. Effective January 1, 1986, for all State workplaces, the policy of the State of Maine is that: SMOKING IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT IN DESIGNATED AREAS. This policy applies to members of the public as well as to State employees.
2. Each Commissioner and Agency Head is hereby authorized and directed:
 - a) to designate and post any area(s) where smoking will be permitted within his or her Department or Agency, consistent with 22 MRSA Sec. 1580-A(2) (A);
 - b) to implement the State's Smoking Policy by issuing and posting a work rule on smoking in the workplace by Friday, December 20, 1985, as directed by the Governor's Office of Employee Relations ("GOER") and consistent with provisions of applicable collective bargaining agreements; and
 - c) to provide appropriate supervision of the implementation of the State's Smoking Policy, in consultation with GOER and as required by 22 MRSA Sec. 1580-A(3).

JOSEPH E. BRENNAN
Governor