

## CHAPTER 3

## COOPERATIVE SOIL SURVEY

**§211. Legislative findings**

It is the intent of the Legislature to provide for the state contribution to the Cooperative Soil Survey of the State of Maine. The Cooperative Soil Survey, conducted nationally by the United States Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, is the systematic inventory of the soils of the State. This basic soils data is of great value in the guidance of sound land use planning. [PL 1969, c. 509, §1 (NEW).]

## SECTION HISTORY

PL 1969, c. 509, §1 (NEW).

**§212. General provisions**

**1. Data.** The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall gather and compile soils data and information of the State. It shall present this information in printed maps and reports for the general public.

[PL 1979, c. 541, Pt. A, §116 (AMD); PL 1995, c. 532, §17 (AMD); PL 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §5 (REV).]

**2. Professional soil scientists.** The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry may employ professional soil scientists, subject to the Civil Service Law, to perform soils mapping in Maine. The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry may contract with other state or federal agencies as appropriate to accomplish necessary soils mapping within this State.

[PL 1985, c. 785, Pt. B, §57 (AMD); PL 1995, c. 532, §17 (AMD); PL 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §5 (REV).]

**3. Interdepartmental cooperation.** The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall consult with other state resource agencies in setting priorities of soils mapping and the publication of interim soils reports.

[PL 2011, c. 655, Pt. JJ, §5 (AMD); PL 2011, c. 655, Pt. JJ, §41 (AFF); PL 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §5 (REV).]

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