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STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
132ND LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 651, L.D. 1004, "An Act to Ensure the Proper Operation of the State"

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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:
'An Act to Adjust Certain Implementation and Reporting Dates in Legislation Held by the Governor That Became Law'

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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

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PART A

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Sec. A-1. 10 MRSA §31, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2025, c. 500, §2, is amended to read:

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4. Report. The council shall submit a report to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over economic development matters by February 1, ~~2026~~ 2027 and annually thereafter regarding the activities of the council during the preceding calendar year. The report must include recommendations as determined appropriate by the council to effectuate its purpose under this section. After reviewing the report under this subsection, the joint standing committee may report out legislation relating to the report.

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PART B

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Sec. B-1. PL 2025, c. 508, §2, last ¶ is amended to read:

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No later than January 1, ~~2026~~ 2027, the University of Maine System shall submit a report to the ~~Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary~~ joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters and judiciary matters outlining its plan for implementation of the rural practice track at the University of Maine School of Law, including any recommendations for legislative or other action. After reviewing the report,

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1 either committee may report out legislation related to the report to the ~~Second Regular~~
2 ~~Session of the 132nd~~ 133rd Legislature in 2027.

3 **PART C**

4 **Sec. C-1. 25 MRSA §2808-B, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 2025, c. 510, §3, is
5 amended to read:

6 **1. Publishing of policies and procedures.** Except as provided by subsection 4, by
7 January 1, ~~2026~~ 2027, a law enforcement agency shall publish and make publicly available
8 in clear and understandable language the agency's policies and procedures required under
9 section 2803-B, including:

- 10 A. A summary of each key policy of the agency;
- 11 B. A comprehensive list of agency rules and guidelines governing law enforcement
12 officer conduct, including any updates or revisions; and
- 13 C. Contact information for a member of the public to request access to information
14 under paragraph A or B.

15 **PART D**

16 **Sec. D-1. PL 2025, c. 512, §3** is amended to read:

17 **Sec. 3. Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Office of**
18 **Cannabis Policy; medical cannabis research grant program rulemaking.** On or
19 before January 9, ~~2026~~ 8, 2027, the Department of Administrative and Financial Services,
20 Office of Cannabis Policy shall provisionally adopt and submit for legislative review rules
21 necessary to implement the medical cannabis research grant program in accordance with
22 the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 2430, subsection 5. Rules adopted by the
23 office pursuant to this section are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375,
24 subchapter 2-A.

25 **PART E**

26 **Sec. E-1. 32 MRSA §99, sub-§10, ¶B**, as enacted by PL 2025, c. 520, §3, is
27 amended to read:

28 B. Submit a report containing the results of the commission's studies, findings and
29 recommendations to the Governor and to the joint standing committee of the
30 Legislature having jurisdiction over public safety matters by January 1, ~~2026~~ 2027 and
31 annually thereafter. As resources permit, the report must include, but is not limited to:

- 32 (1) An assessment of existing and needed resources and expected resource needs
33 within the State's emergency medical services system and recommendations for
34 funding those needs;
- 35 (2) An evaluation of existing emergency medical services programs, initiatives
36 and resources, including recommendations for improvements, new programs and
37 initiatives and funding options for oversight and administration of the State's
38 emergency medical services system;
- 39 (3) Recommendations regarding effective management of resources within the
40 State's emergency medical services system, enhancing the collection and
41 distribution of emergency medical services data, methods to evaluate the State's

1 emergency medical services system and recruitment and retention of emergency
 2 medical services persons, both paid and volunteer; and

3 (4) The status of municipal emergency medical services plans adopted and
 4 submitted pursuant to Title 30-A, section 3172 and an analysis of those plans.

5 After reviewing the report submitted under this paragraph, the committee may report
 6 out legislation relating to the report;

7 **Sec. E-2. PL 2025, c. 520, §5, last ¶** is amended to read:

8 On or before December 3, ~~2025~~ 15, 2026, Maine Emergency Medical Services shall
 9 submit a report describing the findings of its analysis and including recommendations and
 10 any proposed legislation to the ~~Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public~~
 11 ~~Safety~~ joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over public safety
 12 matters. After reviewing the report, the committee may report out legislation relating to the
 13 report to the ~~Second Regular Session of the 132nd~~ 133rd Legislature in 2027.

14 **Sec. E-3. PL 2025, c. 520, §6** is amended to read:

15 **Sec. 6. Maine Emergency Medical Services structural reorganization**
 16 **proposal.** By December 3, ~~2025~~ 15, 2026, the Department of Public Safety, Maine
 17 Emergency Medical Services shall submit to the ~~Joint Standing Committee on Criminal~~
 18 ~~Justice and Public Safety~~ joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction
 19 over public safety matters a report, including proposed draft legislation, for the
 20 reorganization of the Emergency Medical Services' Board, established in the Maine
 21 Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12004-A, subsection 15, consistent with the document
 22 titled "Maine EMS: Two-Year Action Plan" published by Maine Emergency Medical
 23 Services on October 27, 2023. The report must include, but is not limited to, identification
 24 of the necessary statutory changes and funding needs associated with the reorganization of
 25 the Emergency Medical Services' Board and any associated structural and organizational
 26 changes within Maine Emergency Medical Services and within the state and regional
 27 governance system for the emergency medical services program, as outlined in the
 28 document titled "Maine EMS: Two-Year Action Plan." After reviewing the report, the
 29 committee may report out legislation relating to the report to the ~~Second Regular Session~~
 30 ~~of the 132nd~~ 133rd Legislature in 2027.

31 **Sec. E-4. PL 2025, c. 520, §7** is amended to read:

32 **Sec. 7. Maine Emergency Medical Services public information campaign;**
 33 **report.** The Department of Public Safety, Maine Emergency Medical Services shall, as
 34 resources allow, develop and, not later than July 1, ~~2026~~ 2027, implement a public
 35 information campaign designed to enhance the public's understanding and appreciation of
 36 the delivery of emergency medical services, the design and funding of the emergency
 37 medical services system in the State and the essentiality of the services provided by
 38 emergency medical services entities.

39 On or before December 3, ~~2025~~ 15, 2026, Maine Emergency Medical Services shall
 40 submit a report to the ~~Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety~~ joint
 41 standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over public safety matters
 42 regarding its development and anticipated implementation of the public information
 43 campaign required under this section. The report must include, but is not limited to, an

1 assessment of the resource needs associated with the public information campaign and
2 identification of any anticipated resource needs not currently available within the existing
3 budgeted resources of Maine Emergency Medical Services necessary for successful
4 implementation of the campaign. After reviewing the report, the committee may report out
5 legislation relating to the report to the ~~Second Regular Session of the 132nd~~ 133rd
6 Legislature in 2027.

7 **PART F**

8 **Sec. F-1. 22 MRSA §8111**, as enacted by PL 2025, c. 522, §1, is amended to read:

9 **§8111. Closure notice requirements for children's residential care facilities**

10 After October 1, ~~2025~~ 2026, the department shall notify the joint standing committee
11 of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters whenever a
12 children's residential care facility ceases to operate no later than 2 weeks after the facility
13 has ceased operations. The notification to the joint standing committee of the Legislature
14 having jurisdiction over health and human services matters must include information about
15 the facility, including but not limited to the name of the facility, the services provided, the
16 number of beds, the number of employees, the stated reasons for closure and a de-identified
17 summary of the transition and discharge plan for the children who were in the facility at
18 the time of closure. The notification must also include a description of any actions taken
19 by the department to prevent the closure.

20 **Sec. F-2. PL 2025, c. 522, §3** is amended to read:

21 **Sec. 3. Provider engagement and needs assessment.** The Department of Health
22 and Human Services shall convene a stakeholder group of child residential treatment
23 providers to identify the short-term and long-term staffing and resources needs to ensure
24 the sustainability of child residential treatment providers. The department shall submit a
25 report, no later than ~~December 3, 2025~~ January 15, 2027, to the joint standing committee
26 of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters with its
27 findings, a needs assessment and recommendations. The joint standing committee of the
28 Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters is authorized to
29 report out legislation related to the report to the ~~Second Regular Session of the 132nd~~ 133rd
30 Legislature in 2027.

31 **Sec. F-3. PL 2025, c. 522, §5, first ¶** is amended to read:

32 **Sec. 5. Children's behavioral health services data and policy report.** The
33 Department of Health and Human Services shall develop and submit a report, no later than
34 ~~December 3, 2025~~ January 15, 2027, to the ~~Joint Standing Committee on Health and~~
35 ~~Human Services~~ joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health
36 and human services matters that includes data and policy efforts as follows:

37 **PART G**

38 **Sec. G-1. 20-A MRSA §6304-A**, as enacted by PL 2025, c. 529, §1, is amended to
39 read:

40 **§6304-A. Policy for access to automated external defibrillators**

41 Beginning in the ~~2026-2027~~ 2027-2028 school year, a school administrative unit shall
42 develop and implement a policy that provides access to automated external defibrillators at

1 all school-sponsored athletic events in which students are participating on school property,
 2 including team practices. The policy must include how a person can access an automated
 3 external defibrillator while attending a school-sponsored athletic event. An automated
 4 external defibrillator acquired by a school administrative unit pursuant to this section must
 5 be tested and maintained according to the manufacturer's operational guidelines.
 6 Appropriate first aid, ambulance, rescue service or other appropriate local emergency
 7 medical service providers must be notified of the location and type of automated external
 8 defibrillator acquired.

9 **PART H**

10 **Sec. H-1. 8 MRSA §374, sub-§6**, as enacted by PL 2025, c. 536, §2, is amended
 11 to read:

12 **6. Tick laboratory lottery game.** No later than July 1, ~~2026~~ 2027, the commission,
 13 in consultation with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, shall develop and
 14 initiate a tick laboratory instant lottery game designed to raise funds for the University of
 15 Maine Cooperative Extension Tick Laboratory Operations Fund established in Title 7,
 16 section 2481. Tickets for the instant lottery game established under this subsection must
 17 be sold for \$4 and must be changed by the commission periodically throughout the year.
 18 The commission shall annually provide 20% of the net proceeds of the lottery game
 19 established in accordance with this subsection to the University of Maine Cooperative
 20 Extension Tick Laboratory Operations Fund and 80% to the General Fund.

21 **Sec. H-2. PL 2025, c. 536, §6** is amended to read:

22 **Sec. 6. Report.** By December 15, ~~2028~~ 2029, the State Liquor and Lottery
 23 Commission shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having
 24 jurisdiction over lottery matters detailing the status of the tick laboratory instant lottery
 25 game established pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 8, section 374, subsection
 26 6, including revenues received by the General Fund and the University of Maine
 27 Cooperative Extension Tick Laboratory Operations Fund established in Title 7, section
 28 2481. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over lottery
 29 matters may report out legislation related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the
 30 134th Legislature in 2029.

31 **PART I**

32 **Sec. I-1. Resolve 2025, c. 119, §1** is amended to read:

33 **Sec. 1. Child assertive community treatment team. Resolved:** That, by March
 34 1, ~~2026~~ 2027, the Department of Health and Human Services shall issue a request for
 35 applications for a grant to establish a pilot program to develop one child assertive
 36 community treatment team to serve the Lewiston or Bangor geographic area. The request
 37 for applications must require the awardee of the grant to use workforce incentives designed
 38 to attract, train and retain child assertive community treatment staff. The department shall
 39 engage in a competitive process to determine the awardee. The term of the contract may
 40 not exceed 2 years.

41 **PART J**

42 **Sec. J-1. Resolve 2025, c. 121, §1** is amended to read:

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PART Q

Sec. Q-1. Resolve 2025, c. 130, §1 is amended to read:

Sec. 1. Department of Corrections to study achieving gender equality.

Resolved: That the Department of Corrections shall study the extent of gender inequality present in the programs, services, facilities and policies administered or overseen by the department and shall report its findings to the ~~Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety~~ joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice and public safety matters by December 3, 2025 January 15, 2027. The report must include potential solutions for eliminating gender inequality in those areas, including, but not limited to, the construction or redesignation of current facilities and the reallocation of resources, programs and opportunities. The joint standing committee may report out a bill to the ~~Second Regular Session of the 132nd~~ 133rd Legislature in 2027 based on the report.

PART R

Sec. R-1. Resolve 2025, c. 131, §1, first ¶ is amended to read:

Sec. 1. Data related to renewable energy construction projects. Resolved:

That the ~~Governor's Energy Office~~ Department of Energy Resources, referred to in this resolve as "the ~~office~~ department," shall coordinate with state agencies that permit, regulate or provide state assistance to renewable energy construction projects, including, but not limited to, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Labor, the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and the Public Utilities Commission, to evaluate how to display and maintain data regarding renewable energy construction projects in an efficient, meaningful and publicly accessible manner for the purposes of identifying renewable energy trends in this State, including through the development of a database. For the purposes of this resolve, "renewable energy construction project" or "project" means a source of electrical generation that has a nameplate capacity of 500 kilowatts or more and relies on a source of generation described in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 3210, subsection 2, paragraph C, subparagraph (2). The evaluation must provide a method to make the data publicly available and, to the extent practicable, a method for obtaining information from renewable energy construction project developers, including, but not limited to:

Sec. R-2. Resolve 2025, c. 131, §2, first ¶ is amended to read:

Sec. 2. Evaluation criteria. Resolved: That the ~~office's~~ department's evaluation required under section 1 must consider:

Sec. R-3. Resolve 2025, c. 131, §2, sub-§7 is amended to read:

7. Whether and through what mechanism the ~~office~~ department may or could be given the authority to require the provision of timely and accurate information by project developers or owners;

Sec. R-4. Resolve 2025, c. 131, §2, sub-§8 is amended to read:

8. Whether additional staff or financial resources may be necessary to develop and maintain the data under section 1 or if it is feasible to maintain this data within existing resources of the ~~office~~ department; and

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Sec. R-5. Resolve 2025, c. 131, §3 is amended to read:

Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That the ~~office~~ department, in consultation with the state agencies listed in section 1, shall submit a report on the evaluation under this resolve to the ~~Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology~~ joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over energy, utilities and technology matters by February 1, ~~2026~~ 2027. The report must contain recommendations related to how to display and maintain data regarding renewable energy construction projects in an efficient, meaningful and publicly accessible manner for the purposes of identifying renewable energy trends in this State. The committee may report out a bill to the ~~Second Regular Session of the 132nd~~ 133rd Legislature in 2027 based on the report.

PART S

Sec. S-1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ARTS COMMISSION, MAINE

Arts - Administration 0178

Initiative: Appropriates funding for a consultant to research and analyze the impact of unauthorized usage by artificial intelligence on an artist's work as required by Resolve 2025, chapter 121.

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| GENERAL FUND | 2025-26 | 2026-27 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$25,000 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$25,000</u> |

ARTS COMMISSION, MAINE

DEPARTMENT TOTALS

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| GENERAL FUND | 2025-26 | 2026-27 |
| | \$0 | \$25,000 |
| DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$25,000</u> |

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Higher Education and Educator Support Services Z082

Initiative: Appropriates funding to support the working group established by Resolve 2025, chapter 125 to develop recommendations on increasing accessibility to personal finance education to students of all grade levels in the State.

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| GENERAL FUND | 2025-26 | 2026-27 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$5,000 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$5,000</u> |

Innovative Teaching and Learning Z394

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Initiative: Appropriates funding to contract for staffing services to perform a review of teacher mentoring programs in public schools and to prepare a report as required by Resolve 2025, chapter 124.

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| GENERAL FUND | 2025-26 | 2026-27 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$15,000 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | <hr/> | <hr/> |
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| EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF | | |
| DEPARTMENT TOTALS | 2025-26 | 2026-27 |
| GENERAL FUND | \$0 | \$20,000 |
| DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | <hr/> | <hr/> |
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| SECTION TOTALS | 2025-26 | 2026-27 |
| GENERAL FUND | \$0 | \$45,000 |
| SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | \$0 | \$45,000 |

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is a minority report of the committee, replaces the bill, which is a concept draft, and changes the title. Upon the adjournment sine die of the First Special Session of the 132nd Legislature on June 25, 2025, the Governor remained in possession of certain legislation finally enacted or passed by the Legislature and presented to the Governor. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, the final disposition of such legislation not signed by the Governor was determined in January 2026 during the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature. This amendment updates, as necessary, certain dates for implementation or reporting contained in such legislation held by the Governor that became law in January 2026, as described below.

1. Part A amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 500 governing the activities of the Maine-Aomori Sister-state Advisory Council to provide that the first annual report of that council to the Governor and to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over economic development matters is due by February 1, 2027, instead of by February 1, 2026 as is currently provided in law.

2. Part B amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 508 requiring the University of Maine System to report to the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters and judiciary matters regarding the establishment and implementation of a rural practice track at the University of Maine

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1 School of Law. The amendment provides that this report must be submitted no later than
 2 January 1, 2027, instead of no later than January 1, 2026 as is currently provided in law.

3 3. Part C amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 510 governing the
 4 accessibility of law enforcement agency policies and procedures to provide that a law
 5 enforcement agency must publish and make publicly available its policies and procedures
 6 by January 1, 2027, instead of by January 1, 2026 as is currently provided in law.

7 4. Part D amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 512 requiring the
 8 Department of Administrative Services, Office of Cannabis Policy to provisionally adopt
 9 and submit for legislative review rules necessary to implement a medical cannabis research
 10 grant program. The amendment provides that those rules must be submitted for legislative
 11 review on or before January 8, 2027, instead of on or before January 9, 2026 as is currently
 12 provided in law.

13 5. Part E amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 520 as follows.

14 A. It amends the provision of law governing the activities of the Maine Emergency
 15 Medical Services Commission to provide that the first annual report of the commission
 16 to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction
 17 over public safety matters is due by January 1, 2027, instead of by January 1, 2026 as
 18 is currently provided in law.

19 B. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the Department of Public
 20 Safety, Maine Emergency Medical Services to conduct a funding needs analysis of
 21 communities seeking to engage in regional collaboration or the adoption of a regional
 22 model in the delivery of emergency medical services. The amendment provides that
 23 the report regarding that funding needs analysis must be submitted to the joint standing
 24 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over public safety matters on or before
 25 December 15, 2026, instead of on or before December 3, 2025 as is currently provided
 26 in law.

27 C. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the Department of Public
 28 Safety, Maine Emergency Medical Services to submit to the joint standing committee
 29 of the Legislature having jurisdiction over public safety matters a report, including
 30 proposed draft legislation, for the reorganization of the Emergency Medical Services'
 31 Board. The amendment provides that this report must be submitted by December 15,
 32 2026, instead of by December 3, 2025 as is currently provided in law.

33 D. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the Department of Public
 34 Safety, Maine Emergency Medical Services to implement a public information
 35 campaign regarding emergency medical services and to submit a report to the joint
 36 standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over public safety matters
 37 prior to the initiation of the campaign regarding resource needs for the campaign. The
 38 amendment provides that this report must be submitted by December 15, 2026, instead
 39 of by December 3, 2025 as is currently provided in law, and that the public information
 40 campaign must be implemented by July 1, 2027, instead of by July 1, 2026 as is
 41 currently provided in law.

42 6. Part F amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 522 as follows.

43 A. It amends the provision of law requiring the Department of Health and Human
 44 Services, after October 1, 2025, to notify the joint standing committee of the

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- 1 Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters whenever a
- 2 children's residential care facility ceases operations. The amendment changes the start
- 3 date for this notification requirement to October 1, 2026.
- 4 B. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the Department of Health and
- 5 Human Services to convene a child residential treatment provider stakeholder group
- 6 and to submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having
- 7 jurisdiction over health and human services matters. The amendment changes the date
- 8 that report is due from no later than December 3, 2025 to no later than January 15,
- 9 2027.
- 10 C. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the Department of Health and
- 11 Human Services to develop and submit to the joint standing committee of the
- 12 Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters a report
- 13 regarding children's behavioral health services data. The amendment changes the date
- 14 that report is due from no later than December 3, 2025 to no later than January 15,
- 15 2027.
- 16 7. Part G amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 529 requiring school
- 17 administrative units, beginning in the 2026-2027 school year, to develop and implement a
- 18 policy regarding access to automated external defibrillators at school-sponsored athletic
- 19 events. The amendment provides that this requirement begins with the 2027-2028 school
- 20 year instead.
- 21 8. Part H amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 536 as follows.
- 22 A. It amends the provision of law requiring the State Liquor and Lottery Commission
- 23 to develop and initiate a tick laboratory instant lottery game. The amendment requires
- 24 that lottery game to be initiated no later than July 1, 2027, instead of no later than July
- 25 1, 2026 as is currently provided in law.
- 26 B. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the State Liquor and Lottery
- 27 Commission to submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature
- 28 having jurisdiction over lottery matters regarding the status of the tick laboratory
- 29 instant lottery game. The amendment provides that this report is due by December 15,
- 30 2029, instead of by December 15, 2028 as is currently provided in law.
- 31 9. Part I amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 119 governing the date by
- 32 which the Department of Health and Human Services is required to issue a request for
- 33 applications for a grant to establish a pilot program to develop one child assertive
- 34 community treatment team to serve the Lewiston or Bangor geographic area. The
- 35 amendment changes that date to March 1, 2027, instead of March 1, 2026 as is currently
- 36 provided in law.
- 37 10. Part J amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 121 governing the
- 38 activities of the Maine Arts Commission to require that the commission report its findings,
- 39 including any suggested legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature
- 40 having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs by January 15, 2027, instead of
- 41 December 3, 2025 as is currently provided in law.
- 42 11. Part K amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 122 governing the date
- 43 by which the Department of Education is required to submit a report to the joint standing
- 44 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters on data collected

1 by the department on the number of mathematics classes required for a high school diploma
 2 at secondary schools in the State. The amendment changes the date that the report is due to
 3 January 15, 2027, instead of January 15, 2026 as is currently provided in law.

4 12. Part L amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 124 governing the date
 5 by which the Department of Education is required to submit a report to the joint standing
 6 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters on its review of
 7 teacher mentoring programs in public schools in the State. The amendment changes the
 8 date that the report is due to February 15, 2027, instead of February 15, 2026 as is currently
 9 provided in law.

10 13. Part M amends Resolve 2025, chapter 125 as follows.

11 A. It amends the provision of law governing the date by which the Department of
 12 Education is required to submit a report to the joint standing committee of the
 13 Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters on the results of a survey sent
 14 to all school administrative units in the State to collect data and information on the
 15 status of personal finance education in schools. The amendment changes the date that
 16 the report is due to January 15, 2027, instead of January 15, 2026 as is currently
 17 provided in law.

18 B. It amends the provision of law providing that the Department of Education is
 19 required to convene a working group of relevant stakeholders to develop
 20 recommendations on increasing accessibility to personal finance education to students
 21 in the State of all grade levels. The amendment changes the date that the working group
 22 must be convened to January 2027, instead of January 2026 as is currently provided in
 23 law.

24 C. It amends the provision of law governing the date by which the Department of
 25 Education is required to submit a report to the joint standing committee of the
 26 Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters on the findings and
 27 recommendations of the working group. The amendment changes the date that the
 28 report is due to March 1, 2027, instead of March 1, 2026 as is currently provided in
 29 law.

30 14. Part N amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 126 governing the
 31 distribution by the Department of Education of best practices for training in de-escalation
 32 and behavior intervention to all school administrative units developed pursuant to the
 33 resolve. The amendment changes the date by which those best practices must be distributed
 34 to September 1, 2027, instead of September 1, 2026 as is currently provided in law.

35 15. Part O amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 127 governing the date
 36 by which the Department of Education is required to submit a report on abbreviated school
 37 day placements to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
 38 education matters. The amendment changes the date that report is due to February 1, 2027,
 39 instead of February 1, 2026 as is currently provided in law.

40 16. Part P amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 128 governing the date
 41 by which the Maine Developmental Disabilities Council is required to submit a report of
 42 the work group established in the resolve to the joint standing committee of the Legislature
 43 having jurisdiction over health and human services matters. The amendment changes the

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- 1 date by which that report is due to January 31, 2027, instead of January 31, 2026 as is
- 2 currently provided in law.
- 3 17. Part Q amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 130 governing the date
- 4 by which the Department of Corrections is required to report its findings related to the study
- 5 required in the resolve on the extent of gender inequality present in the programs, services,
- 6 facilities and policies administered or overseen by the department to the joint standing
- 7 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice and public safety
- 8 matters. The amendment changes the date that report is due to January 15, 2027, instead of
- 9 December 3, 2025 as is currently provided in law.
- 10 18. Part R amends Resolve 2025, chapter 131 as follows.
- 11 A. It updates references to the former Governor's Energy Office to the Department of
- 12 Energy Resources, pursuant to Public Law 2025, chapter 476.
- 13 B. It amends the date by which the Department of Energy Resources is required to
- 14 submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction
- 15 over energy, utilities and technology matters on the evaluation required in this resolve.
- 16 The amendment changes the date that report is due to February 1, 2027, instead of
- 17 February 1, 2026 as is currently provided in law.
- 18 19. Part S adds an appropriations and allocations section.

19 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**
20 **(See attached)**



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An Act to Ensure the Proper Operation of the State

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'B' (H-991)
 Committee: State and Local Government
 Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Funding re-appropriated to address timing mismatch

| | FY 2025-26 | FY 2026-27 | Projections FY 2027-28 | Projections FY 2028-29 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Net Cost (Savings) | | | | |
| General Fund | \$0 | \$45,000 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Appropriations/Allocations | | | | |
| General Fund | \$0 | \$45,000 | \$0 | \$0 |

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill updates certain dates for implementation or reporting contained in legislation that became law in January 2026. In particular, the bill updates three resolves pertaining to the Maine Arts Commission and Maine Department of Education which appropriated funding to these agencies in fiscal year 2025-26. However, because these resolves became law on January 11, 2026, they will become effective 90 days after the Legislature adjourns, anticipated in July 2026 (or fiscal year 2026-27). Therefore, the agencies will not receive the funding appropriated to them in fiscal year 2025-26. In order to provide the necessary funding for the agencies to complete the requirements of the resolves, the bill appropriates the same amount of funding in fiscal year 2026-27. The funding appropriated in fiscal year 2025-26 is expected to lapse into the unbudgeted surplus of the General Fund. The agencies will only receive the funding once, in fiscal year 2026-27.