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state representatives and employees of the Vehicle Equipment Safety Commission, the Division of State Fire Prevention of the Department of Insurance and the Maine Police Academy.

**Sec. 2. Organization.** The Joint Select Special Committee of the Legislature on Governmental Reorganization, with the assistance of the commissioner, shall prepare a plan of organization of the department into such bureaus, divisions and sections as may be necessary to carry out efficiently the work of the department. The committee, with the assistance of the commissioner, shall prepare legislation to be presented to a special session of the 105th Legislature to amend, repeal and rearrange statutes to reflect this department's powers, responsibilities and organization.

Directors of bureaus shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor and Council.

The commissioner shall prepare a budget for the department in accordance with the Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 149.

The commissioner and the Joint Select Special Committee of the Legislature on Governmental Reorganization may recommend the legislation for the transfer from or to another state department such functions as would appear to properly belong to the other department or to this department. The commissioner shall have no powers or duties except those listed in this section.

**Sec. 3. Effective date.** This Act shall become effective 91 days after adjournment of the Legislature.

Effective September 24, 1971

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## Chapter 497

**AN ACT to Reorganize the Department of Finance and Administration.**

*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 5, c. 13-A, additional.** Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new chapter 13-A to read as follows:

### CHAPTER 13-A

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

§ 287. Department; commissioner

The Department of Finance and Administration as heretofore established shall serve as the principal administrative and fiscal department of the State Government, coordinate financial planning and programming activities of departments and agencies of the State Government for review and action by the Governor and Council, prepare and report to the Governor and to the Legislature financial data and statistics, provide insurance advice for the

State Government, establish and administer a master plan for the orderly development of future state buildings and grounds in the Capitol Area of the City of Augusta, develop and supervise the State purchasing policy and supervise all matters relating to legalized alcoholic beverages within this State. The Department of Finance and Administration shall consist of a Commissioner of Finance and Administration appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council to serve at the pleasure of the Governor and Council, and the following as heretofore created and established: the Insurance Advisory Board; the Board of Trustees, Group Accident and Sickness or Health Insurance; the Capitol Planning Commission; the Standardization Committee and the Liquor Commission, except the Enforcement Division thereof.

**Sec. 2. Organization.** The Joint Select Special Committee of the Legislature on Governmental Reorganization, with the assistance of the commissioner, shall prepare a plan of organization of the department into such bureaus, divisions and sections as may be necessary to carry out efficiently the work of the department. The committee, with the assistance of the commissioner, shall prepare legislation to be presented to a special session of the 105th Legislature to amend, repeal and rearrange statutes to reflect this department's powers, responsibilities and organization. Such legislation shall not include any proposal to change the present number of commissioners of the Liquor Commission.

Directors of bureaus shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor and Council.

The commissioner shall prepare a budget for the department in accordance with the Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 149.

The commissioner and the Joint Select Special Committee of the Legislature on Governmental Reorganization may recommend the legislation for the transfer from or to another state department such functions as would appear to properly belong to the other department or to his department. The commissioner shall have no powers or duties relative to the proposed department except those listed in this section.

**Sec. 3. Effective date.** This Act shall become effective 91 days after adjournment of the Legislature.

Effective September 24, 1971

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## Chapter 498

### AN ACT to Create the Department of Transportation.

*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 23, c. 410, additional.** Title 23 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new chapter 410 to read as follows: