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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Fifth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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As used in this paragraph:

(a) "Facility" means any appliance, equipment, machinery, installation or structures installed, acquired or placed in operation primarily for the purpose of reducing, controlling, eliminating or disposing of industrial air pollutants.

Facilities such as air conditioners, dust collectors, fans and similar facilities designed, constructed or installed solely for the benefit of the person for whom installed or the personnel of such person shall not be deemed air pollution control facilities.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 525

AN ACT to Remove the Numerical Exemption from the Minimum Wage Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 26, § 662, repealed. Section 662 of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 410 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed as follows:

§ 662. Coverage

~~Employers employing 4 employees or more in any day of the week are subject to this subchapter for that week, and in the count of employees there shall be included all employees, including those otherwise exempt under section 663, subsection 3~~

Sec. 2. Application. From October 15, 1971 to October 15, 1972 persons employed by those employers employing less than 4 employees in any day of the week shall be paid at a rate of no less than \$1.40 an hour and from October 15, 1972 to October 15, 1973 such employees shall be paid at a rate no less than \$1.60 an hour and thereafter such employees shall be paid what the state minimum wage for all other covered employees is then in effect.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 526

AN ACT to Provide Loans to Encourage the Practice of Family Medicine to Assist in Maintaining the Health of Maine Residents.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 20, c. 302-B, additional. Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new chapter 302-B, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 302-B
LOANS FOR CANDIDATES FOR
PRACTICE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

§ 2241. Purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to provide loans for residents of the State who desire to practice the science of osteopathic medicine for the welfare and service of this State. The provision of financial assistance in securing such higher education is an important public purpose. Many qualified youth are deterred by financial considerations from securing such higher education with a consequent irreparable loss to the State in maintaining the health of Maine residents.

§ 2242. State Osteopathic Loan Fund

There is created a State Osteopathic Loan Fund which shall be used by the Commissioner of Education as a nonlapsing, revolving fund for carrying out this chapter. The fund shall initially be in the sum of \$40,000.

Moneys in the fund, not needed currently to meet the obligations of the commissioner under this chapter shall be deposited with the Treasurer of State to the credit of the fund, or may be invested in such manner as is provided for by statute.

§ 2243. Eligibility for loans

An applicant shall be eligible for a loan under this chapter when the Commissioner of Education, after consultation with the executive committee of the Maine Osteopathic Association, finds:

1. Residency. That he must have been a resident of this State for not less than 3 years before the date of his application;

2. Qualifications. That he is attending or will immediately attend an osteopathic college or university accredited by the American Osteopathic Association;

3. Financial resources. That his financial resources are such that, in the absence of a loan, he will be deterred by financial considerations from beginning or completing his education at an osteopathic college or university;

4. Return to Maine. That he show a genuine interest in returning to Maine to practice osteopathic medicine.

§ 2244. Repayment

Each student shall enter into an agreement with the Maine State Department of Education that after the completion of his internship or residency he will enter upon the practice of osteopathic medicine in this State and continue in such practice for a period of one year for each \$2,000 of loan granted and

utilized. Such loan shall be granted to the applicant with no interest or principal payments for the years that he attends the osteopathic college or university and one year thereafter.

If a recipient of a loan provided herein fails to perform his agreement with the Department of Education for reasons other than death, he shall immediately be liable to the State for all loan payments he shall have received plus interest on each payment at the rate of 6% per year compounded semi-annually. Loans shall be repaid within 12 years of graduation at the rate of 6%.

If a recipient of a loan provided for in this chapter practices osteopathic medicine in a community of Maine for only a part of his total compensatory practice agreed upon, he shall be liable to the State only for the amount granted him under such loan plus interest at the rate of 6% per year compounded semiannually reduced by a credit at the rate of \$2,000 plus interest thereon per year for the time he shall have actually practiced in Maine.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Education for the establishment of the State Osteopathic Loan Fund the sum of \$40,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972. The breakdown shall be as follows:

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	
All Other	\$40,000

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 527

AN ACT Relating to the Powers and Duties of the Environmental Improvement Commission.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 38, § 361, amended. The 2nd paragraph, the 3rd paragraph, as amended by section 2 of chapter 499 of the public laws of 1969, and the 4th paragraph, all of section 361 of Title 38 of the Revised Statutes, are amended to read as follows:

The members appointed by the Governor shall receive ~~\$10~~ \$25 per day for their services at meetings or hearings and all members shall receive necessary traveling expenses for attending any meetings of the commission or for any other travel in connection with the official business of the commission and under the specific authority of the commission, which traveling expenses shall be paid out of the General Fund.

Meetings of the commission shall be held at such time and place as shall be determined by the commission but not less than 2 meetings per year shall be held. The commission shall organize in October of each year by electing