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adult vocational education programs within their geographic area.

2. Request for program approval. Any administrative unit in a vocational region or an administrative unit served by a vocational center may request that adult vocational education courses be offered in that administrative unit through the cooperative board of the vocational region or the governing body of the vocational center.

3. Board approval. The cooperative board of the vocational region or the governing body of the regional technical vocational center may approve adult vocational education courses in that administrative unit.

4. Adequate funding. The offering of adult vocational education courses shall be dependent upon that administrative unit appropriating sufficient funds to pay for the courses.

5. Persons entitled to attend. All adult vocational education courses offered in any administrative unit under the authority of this section shall be open to any adult who needs retraining or upgrading. Whenever space is limited, priority will be given to the residents of the unit offering the program. State reimbursement will be made to the administrative unit in accordance with this chapter. If the request from an administrative unit to operate a reimbursable adult vocational education course is disapproved by the cooperative board of the vocational region or by the administrative unit governing the vocational center, the administrative unit may appeal to the commissioner for authority to offer the course and his decision is final and binding.

§ 2390. Program definitions

The commissioner shall establish program definitions for adult vocational courses, general adult courses, adult handicapped courses, high school completion courses and basic literacy courses.

Sec. 11. Effective date. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 1978; however, it shall not become effective for subsidy purposes until July 1, 1978.

Effective January 1, 1978, unless otherwise indicated

CHAPTER 362

AN ACT to Clarify the Powers of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA § 1952, 1st sentence, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 497, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Except as provided by existing statute, the commissioner shall have general supervision of the administration and enforcement of the inland fisheries and wildlife laws and shall have the responsibility for the management of all inland fish and wildlife in the State.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA § 2470 is enacted to read:

§ 2470. Municipal ordinances prohibited

No municipality of the State shall enact any ordinances regulating the hunting or trapping of any species of wildlife, except that this section shall not be interpreted to prohibit the enactment of any ordinance generally regulating the discharge of firearms in a municipality or any part thereof.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA § 2757 is enacted to read:

§ 2757. Municipal ordinances prohibited

No municipality of the State shall enact any ordinance regulating inland fishing.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 363

AN ACT to Repeal Certain Laws Relating to Transportation.

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

Sec. 1. 23 MRSA § 1002, 1st sentence, as amended by PL 1971, c. 593, § 22, is further amended to read:

The department, on petition of the municipal officers of 2 or more towns through which extends a continuous state aid highway or town way, may from year to year lay out winter routes over such state aid highways or town ways as in their judgment seem advisable for the clearance of snow therefrom for the reasonable use of motor vehicles ~~sleighs and sleds~~ during such season.

Sec. 2. 23 MRSA § 1003, 1st sentence, as amended by PL 1971, c. 593, § 22, is further amended to read:

Towns through which extends such a system of winter routes approved and accepted by the department in accordance with section 1002 shall, through and by their board of municipal officers, keep said state aid highways and town ways cleared of snow during the winter season or such part of the year as the department may direct, so that they may be reasonably usable by motor vehicles ~~sleighs and sleds~~.