

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
AT THE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

January 4, 1978 to April 6, 1978

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

(No laws enacted)

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adjournment of the Legislature and sections 2 and 3 shall become effective 11 days after adjournment of the second regular session of the 108th Legislature.

Effective July 6, 1978 Unless otherwise indicated

CHAPTER 693

AN ACT Providing that Student Scholarships Under the Maine Student Incentive Scholarship Program Shall Not be Lowered from One School Year to the Next and Appropriating Funds to Carry Out that Intent.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the people recognize that the opportunity for a higher education for all residents of this State who desire such an education, and are properly qualified therefor, is important to the welfare and security of this State and nation and that the provision of financial assistance in securing such higher education is an important public purpose; and

Whereas, many Maine youths, fully qualified to attend an institution of higher education, are being denied that opportunity with a consequent irreparable loss to the State of Maine, mainly because of financial deficiency; and

Whereas, this natural talent is the most valuable asset of the State and not even one group of youths should be ignored; and

Whereas, many Maine students will be subjected to a much lower level of awards unless this legislation is passed; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. PL 1977, c. 538, § 2 is amended by adding at the end the following sentence.

It is the intent of the Legislature that these students be eligible for the receipt of grants for the duration of their undergraduate program at a level no lower than previously granted.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act:

		1978-79
EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES,		
DEPARTMENT OF		
Personal Services	(2)	\$35,000
All Other		10,000
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Total, Educational Administrations		\$45,000
Student Incentive Scholarship Program		375,000
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Total		\$420,000

It is the intent of the Legislature that any money unexpended in this sum shall not lapse, but shall be carried forward in the following fiscal year, to be expended in that year by the Department of Educational and Cultural Services solely for the same purpose.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective March 31, 1978

CHAPTER 694

AN ACT to Conform State Statutes to the Maine Administrative Procedure Act.

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA § 8, 1st sentence, is amended to read:

The Supreme Judicial Court shall have the power to prescribe, by general rules, for the **Administrative**, District and Superior Courts of Maine, the forms of process, writs, pleadings and motions, and the practice and procedure in civil actions at law.