

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

January 3, 1979 to June 15, 1979

PUBLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED, TITLE 3, SECTION 164, SUBSECTION 6.

Kennebec Journal
Augusta, Maine
1979

PUBLIC LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED AT THE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
of the
ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE
1979

Whereas, certain amendments must be made to the statute before pending railroad acquisitions can be completed; 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:

23 MRSA § 4207, sub-§ 3, as amended by PL 1975, c. 629, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

Whenever the department acquires railroad lines, to hold and to manage for future railroad uses, those lines shall not be considered abandoned for railroad purposes. The commissioner shall periodically review the need to hold such lines for future railroad uses.

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

Effective June 8, 1979

CHAPTER 375

S. P. 283 — L. D. 857

AN ACT to Amend the Maine Certificate of Need Act of 1978.

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

22 MRSA § 304, sub-§ 1, ¶ C, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 687, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

C. Any change in the existing bed complement of a health care facility which:

- (1) Increases or decreases the licensed bed capacity of the health care facility by more than 10% or more than 5 beds, whichever is less;**
- (2) Increases or decreases the number of beds licensed by the department to provide a particular level of care by more than 10% of that number or more than 5 beds, whichever is less; or**
- (3) Relocates more than 10% of the health care facility's licensed beds or more than 5 beds, whichever is less, from one physical plant to another; and**

Effective September 14, 1979