MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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needs, designated by the Maine State Nurses Association; and

K. One member representing the organizational development profession, appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.

All appointments must be made no later than 15 days following the effective date of this Act. The appointing authorities shall notify the Executive Director of the Legislative Council upon making their appointments. When the appointment of all members is complete, the Chair of the Legislative Council shall call and convene the first meeting of the task force no later than September 15, 1997. The task force shall select a chair from among its legislative members.

- **3. Staff assistance.** The task force may request staffing and clerical assistance from the Legislative Council.
- **4. Reimbursement.** The task force members who are Legislators are entitled to receive the legislative per diem, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2, and reimbursement for travel and other necessary expenses for each day's attendance at meetings of the task force. The Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall administer the task force's budget.
- **5. Report.** The task force shall submit its report with any accompanying legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 118th Legislature by January 1, 1998.
- **6. Meetings.** The task force may meet up to 3 times.
- **Sec. 21. Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1997-98

LEGISLATURE

Task Force to Study the Costeffectiveness of the Child Development Services System

Personal Services \$660 All Other 1,100

Provides funds for the per diem and expenses of legislative members and miscellaneous costs, including printing, of the Task Force to Study the Cost-effectiveness of the Child Development Services System.

LEGISLATURE TOTAL

\$1,760

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 535

H.P. 360 - L.D. 505

An Act to Establish a Tuition Rate for Education in the Unorganized Territory

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §3304, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693, §§5 and 8, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §3304, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Charges. The per pupil tuition charge must be an amount equal to 125% of the state average expenditure per elementary pupil during the preceding year, as determined annually by the commissioner pursuant to section 5804 or the receiving school administrative unit's actual expenditure per elementary pupil for the preceding year as calculated by the commissioner, whichever is less.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 536

S.P. 117 - L.D. 396

An Act to Allow the Maine Forest Service to Retain Funds from the Sale of Real Estate

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

- **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §8003, sub-§3, ¶M,** as amended by PL 1993, c. 335, §1, is further amended to read:
 - M. The Except for lands acquired under the authority of paragraph N, the director is authorized, with the consent of the commissioner, to sell, grant, lease, transfer or otherwise convey any real or personal property under the jurisdiction of the bureau. The director shall deposit the proceeds from the sale or lease of property purchased with Maine Forestry District tax funds in