

LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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> J.S. McCarthy Company Augusta, Maine 1997

Provides funds for the per diem and expenses of legislative members of the Task Force to Increase Primary and Secondary Forest Product Manufacturing.

LEGISLATURE TOTAL

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 128

H.P. 1544 - L.D. 2171

Resolve, to Implement the Interim Recommendations of the Task Force on State and Federal Tax Filing

Sec. 1. Resolve 1997, c. 66, §2, sub-§§4 and 5, amended. Resolved: That Resolve 1997, c. 66, §2, sub-§§4 and 5 are amended to read:

4. Two members of the House of Representatives, one of whom represents the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation, appointed by the Speaker of the House; and

5. One member of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate-; and

Sec. 2. Resolve 1997, c. 66, §2, sub-§6, enacted. Resolved: That Resolve 1997, c. 66, §2, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. One certified public accountant, appointed by the Governor.

Sec. 3. Resolve 1997, c. 66, §§6 to 8, amended. Resolved: That Resolve 1997, c. 66, §§6 to 8 are amended to read:

Sec. 6. Reimbursement. Resolved: That the members of the task force 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 attendance at meetings of the task force upon application to the Executive Director of the Legislative Council for those expenses. <u>Members appointed</u> to represent the business community and the member who is a certified public accountant may be reimbursed for expenses. Other members are not entitled to reimbursement of expenses; and be it further

Sec. 7. Report. Resolved: That the task force shall submit its report, which must include a plan to implement a single-form filing and payment system for state and federal taxes for use by small businesses, together with any necessary implementing legislation, to the <u>Second First</u> Regular Session of the <u>118th</u> <u>119th</u> Legislature no later than January 1, 1998 <u>1999</u>. If the task force requires an extension, it may apply to the Legislative Council, which may grant the extension; and be it further

Sec. 8. Meetings. Resolved: That the task force may meet up to 4 times in 1997 and up to 4 times in 1998; and be it further

Sec. 4. Retroactivity. This resolve applies retroactively to January 1, 1998.

Sec. 5. Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

1998-99

LEGISLATURE

\$1.000

Task Force on State and Federal Tax Filing

Personal Services	\$660
All Other	2,700
Provides funds for the per	
diem and expenses of	
legislative members and	
expenses of other members of	
the Task Force on State and	
Federal Tax Filing who are not	
state employees or	
representatives of the Internal	
Revenue Service.	

LEGISLATURE TOTAL

\$3,360

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CHAPTER 129

H.P. 1534 - L.D. 2161

Resolve, to Extend the Commission to Examine Rate Setting and the Financing of Maine's Long-term Care Facilities

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

Whereas, this resolve is necessary as an emergency measure to provide funding for the Commission