

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE**

**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**  
**January 5, 2000 to May 12, 2000**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**J.S. McCarthy Company**  
**Augusta, Maine**  
**2000**

Archives Advisory Board or the Maine State Museum Commission, ~~provided that~~ as long as the appointed chair is not from the same ~~commission~~ entity as the previous chair.

**Sec. 4. 27 MRSA §555, sub-§§4 and 5**, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 700, Pt. B, §42, are amended to read:

**4. Prepare annual report.** To coordinate the preparation of an annual report and other joint planning documents of the 4 7 cultural agencies; ~~and~~

**5. Statewide cultural planning.** To meet jointly and at least annually with the directors of ~~humanities councils in the State, the Maine State Archives, the Maine State Film Commission and the State Law Library~~ and others as considered appropriate for the purpose of exchanging information and coordinating statewide cultural planning; and

**Sec. 5. 27 MRSA §555, sub-§6** is enacted to read:

**6. New Century Program Fund.** To administer the New Century Program Fund. The New Century Program Fund is established as a nonlapsing account to assist in carrying out the purposes of section 558. The Maine State Cultural Affairs Council may accept and expend money on behalf of the fund from public and private sources.

**Sec. 6. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue funds to carry out the purposes of this Act.

**2000-01**

**MAINE STATE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL**

**New Century Program Fund**

All Other \$500

Provides for the allocation of funds to establish the New Century Program Fund.

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

Effective March 22, 2000.

**CHAPTER 574**

**H.P. 1678 - L.D. 2344**

**An Act to Repeal the Nondiscrimination in Pharmaceuticals Pricing Law**

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

**Sec. 1. 32 MRSA c. 117, sub-c. 10**, as amended, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 575**

**H.P. 1684 - L.D. 2351**

**An Act Concerning the Possession of Marine Organisms by Aquaculturists Outside of the Harvest Season**

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6073-A**, as amended by PL 1999, c. 156, §1, is further amended to read:

**§6073-A. Season and minimum size exemption; aquaculture**

The holder of a lease issued under section 6072, 6072-A or 6072-B is exempt from any requirement regarding the time of taking or possessing, minimum or maximum length or other minimum or maximum size requirement for any marine organism cultivated on the leased area. The exemption applies only to those organisms actually cultivated on the leased area. The commissioner shall require a system of identification of organisms exempted under this section.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 576**

**H.P. 1745 - L.D. 2451**

**An Act to Prohibit Dragging in a Portion of the Taunton River Area**

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

**Whereas**, the drag fishing season starts in the spring, well before the 2nd regular session will adjourn; and