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If the United States Congress has passed a law allowing drug reimportation or if the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has granted a waiver application, the State may move forward with the development of a plan for a reimportation program based on the findings and recommendations of the committee and review by the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services.

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CHAPTER 27

H.P. 1195 - L.D. 1689

An Act To Ensure Maine's Readiness To Respond to Decisions Relative to the Base Realignment and Closure Process

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

Whereas, this legislation needs to take effect before the expiration of the 90-day period to assist communities affected by the Base Realignment and Closure Commission process; 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. Transfer. Consistent with Public Law 2005, chapter 12, Part CC, section 1, the Legislature requests that the Governor identify up to \$100,000 of funds previously appropriated by the Legislature, yet no longer needed for the intended purpose, and transfer those funds by financial order to assist communities affected by the Base Realignment and Closure Commission, "BRAC," process no later than June 30, 2005.

Sec. 2. Report. The Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services shall report to the Governor, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House no later than October 1, 2005 regarding the expenditure of funds transferred pursuant to this Act.

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

Effective June 21, 2005.

CHAPTER 28

S.P. 530 - L.D. 1528

An Act To Create a Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences at the University of Maine

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1865, c. 532, §9-B is enacted to read:

Sec. 9-B. Graduate school of biomedical sciences. The Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System is authorized to establish a graduate school of biomedical sciences, referred to in this section as "the school," to educate and train students in basic and clinical fields of biomedicine and the biosciences. If the board establishes a graduate school of biomedical sciences, it must be in accordance with the following:

A. The school must be established in partnership with the Jackson Laboratory, the Maine Medical Center Research Institute and the Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory, referred to in this section as "partner institutions."

B. The mission of the school is to administer a graduate education and fellowship program that is open on a competitive basis to its partner institutions, other Maine biomedical research institutions, Maine private education institutions and the University of Maine System.

C. To attract the most highly qualified graduate students from around the country and around the world, the school shall make every effort to ensure that the stipends offered by the school are sufficient to compete with the fellowship offers of the leading universities in the United States.

D. The Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System shall administer the school with the aid of an advisory committee composed of one representative from each of the partner institutions; one representative from the University of Southern Maine; one representative from the University of Maine System; and one representative from another research institution or institution of higher education in the State.

E. The school shall serve as the coordinating entity for interdisciplinary or interinstitutional graduate programs, including but not limited to doctoral programs in functional genomics, the Institute for Molecular Biophysics, cooperative doctoral programs in biochemistry and the Maine Institute for Human Genetics and Health.

F. The school shall work towards developing a college of allied health professions.

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