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CHAPTER 42 H.P. 1412 - L.D. 2028

An Act To Clarify the Authority of the Board of Directors of Regional School Unit No. 1

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 2007, c. 25, $\S18-A$ is enacted to read:

Sec. 18-A. Tuition arrangements for Arrowsic students. The board of directors may negotiate and enter into a tuition contract with the Georgetown School Committee for students from the Town of Arrowsic to attend the Georgetown Central School in accordance with the provisions set out in this section.

- **1. Duration.** The duration of the tuition contract may be from 2 to 10 years.
- **2. Other provisions.** The tuition contract may include other provisions the parties determine necessary.
- 3. Additional requirements. The tuition contract must meet any additional requirements set forth in rules established by the Commissioner of Education and must be filed with the commissioner.
- **4. Ratification.** The tuition contract must be ratified by a majority vote of both the board of directors and the Georgetown School Committee.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 43 H.P. 1591 - L.D. 2231

An Act To Reduce the Cost of Prescription Drugs Purchased by the State and Counties by Using Section 340B of the Federal Public Health Service Act

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

Whereas, it is essential to reduce the cost of prescription drugs purchased by the State and counties as soon as possible; 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. Prescription drugs.** The Governor's Office of Health Policy and Finance shall coordinate with the Department of Health and Human Services and other state agencies and representatives of state employees, health care providers and federally qualified health centers to identify opportunities no later than July 1, 2009 to provide prescription drugs through Section 340B of the federal Public Health Service Act, 42 United States Code, Section 256b (2006) for the following, if the costs of implementing such a plan are less than the current cost of providing prescription drugs:
 - 1. State-funded managed care plans;
 - 2. MaineCare;
 - 3. State bulk purchasing initiatives; and
- 4. Populations using high-cost chronic care and specialty drugs. In carrying out the provisions of this subsection, the Department of Health and Human Services shall by January 15, 2009 prepare and issue a request for proposal for speciality drugs with the greatest potential for savings. The Department of Health and Human Services shall report to the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs and health and human services matters by January 15, 2009 on the opportunities identified and the request for proposal.
- Sec. 2. Prescription drugs; corrections and county jails. The Department of Corrections shall convene a working group with members including the director of health care services, the director of clinical and treatment services and the mental health criminal justice manager within the department; 3 persons representing the counties including at least one sheriff or designee of a county participating in the statewide Department of Corrections pharmacy contract; the director of pharmacy affairs in the Governor's Office