

# LAWS

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dence of welfare fraud by amending the rules related to the MaineCare program and the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program and to the determination of eligibility for the federal food stamp program to require verification of eligibility. The rules must require verification of income and residence through independent sources such as check stubs and rent receipts or through automated systems for the exchange of information with the Department of Labor, the United States Social Security Administration and the United States Internal Revenue Service to the extent allowed by federal and state law applicable to the circumstances of the applicant. Rules adopted under this section are routine technical rules as defined by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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#### CHAPTER 32

#### S.P. 32 - L.D. 88

### Resolve, To Encourage the Use of Safe Chemicals in Public Schools

Sec. 1. Department of Education to consult with the Department of Environmental Protection and the Board of Pesticides Control in promoting the implementation of green cleaning programs in schools. Resolved: That the Department of Education, referred to in this resolve as "the department," in consultation with the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, Board of Pesticides Control, shall:

1. Compile a list of cleaning products that have been certified as meeting health-based criteria for safety and efficacy by a 3rd-party independent agency such as Green Seal or that have been listed by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services, Division of Purchases as environmentally preferred janitorial products. The department shall distribute this list yearly to every school administrative unit in the State after updating the list;

2. Compile a list of disinfectants that have been evaluated using criteria established by the Division of Purchases or other acceptable criteria for environmentally preferred janitorial products and registered by the Board of Pesticides Control. The department shall distribute this list yearly to every school administrative unit in the State after updating the list; and

3. Develop recommendations for cleaning procedures that will reduce the use of toxic chemicals and improve indoor air quality while meeting performance standards for cleanliness. The department shall distribute descriptions of these recommended procedures, referred to as "green cleaning procedures," to every school administrative unit in the State; and be it further

Sec. 2. Department of Education to provide information on the regulation of pesticides. Resolved: That the department shall inform each school administrative unit in the State that the use of pesticides in and around schools is regulated by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, Board of Pesticides Control and provide contact information for the board. The department shall advise each school administrative unit to contact the Board of Pesticides Control for copies of the board's rules that apply to schools and for any assistance needed in interpreting the rules; and be it further

Sec. 3. Recognition of school administrative units that commit to a green cleaning program. Resolved: That the department shall compile and maintain a list of school administrative units that have committed to implementing a green cleaning program. The department shall make this list available to the public. A green cleaning program is one that uses cleaning products and disinfectants on the lists distributed under section 1 in a manner consistent with the green cleaning procedures described under section 1.

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## CHAPTER 33

## H.P. 40 - L.D. 39

# Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Regulations Governing the Licensing and Functioning of Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services

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

Whereas, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A requires legislative authorization before major substantive agency rules may be finally adopted by the agency; and

Whereas, the above-named major substantive rule has been submitted to the Legislature for review; and

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Whereas, immediate enactment of this resolve is necessary to record the Legislature's position on final adoption of the rule; 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

Sec. 1. Adoption. Resolved: That final adoption of portions of Regulations Governing the Licensing and Functioning of Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Department of Health and Human Services that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized.

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

Effective May 22, 2007.

# CHAPTER 34 S.P. 499 - L.D. 1421

# Resolve, Regarding Tobacco Cessation and Treatment

Sec. 1. Best practice and model treatment programs. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services, through the Partnership for a Tobacco-Free Maine, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention and the Office of MaineCare Services, shall undertake a study of best practice treatment and clinical practice guidelines for tobacco cessation treatment. The study must use the most recent available clinical practice guidelines available from the United States Department of Health and Human Services Public Health Service and must include development of a model tobacco cessation treatment program for use in the public sector and private sector. The department shall report back to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2008. The committee may submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature related to best practice treatment and clinical practice guidelines for tobacco cessation treatment.

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#### CHAPTER 35

#### H.P. 729 - L.D. 969

## Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 316, Long Term Contracting and Resource Adequacy, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission

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

Whereas, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A requires legislative authorization before major substantive agency rules may be finally adopted by the agency; and

Whereas, the above-named major substantive rule has been submitted to the Legislature for review; and

Whereas, immediate enactment of this resolve is necessary to record the Legislature's position on final adoption of the rule; 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

**Sec. 1. Adoption. Resolved:** That final adoption of Chapter 316, Long Term Contracting and Resource Adequacy, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Public Utilities Commission that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized; and be it further

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

#### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#### Public Utilities - Administrative Division 0184

Initiative: Provides funds for one Utility Analyst position and general operating expenses required to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	1.000	1.000
Personal Services	\$73,487	\$104,129
All Other	\$80,639	\$103,690