

# LAWS

# OF THE

# **STATE OF MAINE**

## AS PASSED BY THE

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age and will continue to do so pursuant to paragraph A.

C. A stop-work order issued pursuant to this subsection remains in effect until the executive director or the executive director's designee issues an order releasing the stop-work order upon finding that the hiring agent or construction subcontractor has come into compliance with the requirements of this subsection and has paid any penalty assessed under section 324, subsection 3 or has entered into a penalty payment agreement with the board.

D. A stop-work order issued pursuant to this subsection against a hiring agent or construction subcontractor applies to any successor firm, corporation or partnership of the hiring agent or construction subcontractor in the same manner as it applies to the hiring agent or construction subcontractor.

E. Any payment or performance bond issued on or in relation to a construction project subject to a stop-work order may not cover any exposure arising out of or during the shutdown of that project.

For purposes of this subsection, a violation is considered knowing if the hiring agent or construction subcontractor has previously obtained workers' compensation insurance and the insurance has been cancelled or the insurance has not been continued or renewed; has been notified in writing by the board of the need for workers' compensation insurance; or has had one or more previous violations of the requirement to secure the payment to that hiring agent's or construction subcontractor's employees of the compensation provided for by this Act.

**Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

### WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD

# Administration - Workers' Compensation Board 0183

Initiative: Allocates funds to enhance enforcement of laws prohibiting the misclassification of workers by establishing one Management Analyst II position at range 24 and one Auditor III position at range 25. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Management Analyst II position and the Auditor III position must be funded from the Workers' Compensation Board's reserve account pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 39-A, section 154, subsection 6, paragraph B.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2009-10	2010-11
POSITIONS -	0.000	2.000
LEGISLATIVE COUNT		

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Personal Services	\$0	\$161,773	
OTHER SPECIAL	\$0	\$161,773	
REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL			

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 650 S.P. 747 - L.D. 1832

### An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Election of Androscoggin County Commissioner District Budget Committee Members

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

Whereas, new Androscoggin County budget committee members will be chosen in June and changes are necessary to reflect the current commissioner districts; 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. 30-A MRSA §723, sub-§1, ¶D,** as enacted by PL 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 and Pt. C, §106 and amended by PL 1989, c. 6; c. 9, §2; and c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

D. The votes of each municipality shall be multiplied by the figure next to the municipality's name as follows:

(1)	) For	Commissioner	District	Number	One:
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(a) Durham, 975;
(b) Greene, 1176;
(c) Leeds, 577;
(d) Lisbon, 2619;
(e) Livermore, 607;
(f) Livermore Falls, 931;
(g) Sabattus, 1294;
(h) Turner, 1435; and

(2) For Commissioner District Number 2:

(a) Auburn, 6935;

(b) Mechanic Falls, 937;

(c) Minot, 671; and

(d) Poland, 1454; and

(3) For Commissioner District Number 3:

(a) Lewiston, 1.

These adjustment figures must be revised after each decennial census.

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

Effective April 13, 2010.

### CHAPTER 651

#### S.P. 495 - L.D. 1360

### An Act Regarding Mental Health Treatment

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

Whereas, provisions of law related to progressive treatment programs for certain persons with mental illness will be repealed on July 1, 2010; and

Whereas, it is necessary to extend the progressive treatment programs law and make related amendments to the laws; and

Whereas, that extension and the related changes might not take effect on July 1, 2010 unless enacted as emergency measures; 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. 15 MRSA §393, sub-§1, ¶E,** as enacted by PL 2007, c. 670, §6, is amended to read:

E. Has been:

(1) Committed involuntarily to a hospital pursuant to an order of the District Court under Title 34-B, section 3864 because the person was found to present a likelihood of seri-

ous harm, as defined under Title 34-B, section 3801, subsection -4 <u>4-A</u>, paragraphs A to C;

(2) Found not criminally responsible by reason of insanity with respect to a criminal charge; or

(3) Found not competent to stand trial with respect to a criminal charge.

**Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §1541, sub-§3, ¶C,** as enacted by PL 2007, c. 670, §16, is amended to read:

C. The commanding officer shall report to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, National Instant Criminal Background Check System a court's finding, upon the commanding officer's receipt of an abstract from a court that a person has been:

(1) Committed involuntarily to a hospital pursuant to an order of the District Court under Title 34-B, section 3864 because the person was found to present a likelihood of serious harm, as defined under Title 34-B, section 3801, subsection -4-<u>4-A</u>, paragraphs A to D;

(2) Found not criminally responsible by reason of insanity with respect to a criminal charge; or

(3) Found not competent to stand trial with respect to a criminal charge.

The commanding officer may adopt rules to implement the requirements of this paragraph. Rules adopted pursuant to this paragraph are routine technical rules, as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

**Sec. 3. 34-B MRSA §3801, sub-§4,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 519, Pt. BBBB, §§1 and 2 and affected by §20, is repealed.

Sec. 4. 34-B MRSA §3801, sub-§4-A is enacted to read:

**4-A. Likelihood of serious harm.** "Likelihood of serious harm" means:

A. A substantial risk of physical harm to the person as manifested by recent threats of, or attempts at, suicide or serious self-inflicted harm;

B. A substantial risk of physical harm to other persons as manifested by recent homicidal or violent behavior or by recent conduct placing others in reasonable fear of serious physical harm;

C. A reasonable certainty that the person will suffer severe physical or mental harm as manifested by recent behavior demonstrating an inability to avoid risk or to protect the person adequately from impairment or injury; or