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

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE**

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

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2009**

capacity limit for eligible facilities from 500 kilowatts to 660 kilowatts.

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

Effective April 30, 2009.

**CHAPTER 21**

**H.P. 412 - L.D. 574**

**Resolve, To Increase the Blood Supply**

**Sec. 1. Assistance for approval to receive hereditary hemochromatosis donations. Resolved:** That the Department of Health and Human Services shall provide information and guidance to assist blood donation centers in meeting the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration requirements to receive blood and blood components collected through therapeutic phlebotomies from individuals with diagnosed hereditary hemochromatosis.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 22**

**H.P. 6 - L.D. 11**

**Resolve, To Encourage the Preservation of Dark Skies**

**Sec. 1. State Planning Office to establish standards. Resolved:** That the Executive Department, State Planning Office shall review existing commercial outdoor lighting standards and make recommendations on standard language that will limit light pollution and encourage the preservation of the area's natural state, as well as identify policy options for promoting outdoor lighting standards for commercial development. The State Planning Office shall present its findings in a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development no later than January 15, 2010.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 23**

**H.P. 285 - L.D. 378**

**Resolve, To Direct the Department of Marine Resources To Study the Issues Surrounding the Harvest of Bait Fish within Territorial Waters**

**Sec. 1. Harvest of bait fish within territorial waters of the State. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of Marine Resources shall conduct, within the existing budget of the Department of Marine Resources, a study of the harvest of bait fish within the territorial waters of the State and develop a plan to address the issues surrounding the harvest of bait fish; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of Marine Resources shall report the findings, recommendations and plan developed as a result of the study to the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources by January 4, 2010. The report must also contain a series of regulatory options that may be used to implement the commissioner's recommendations and plan; and be it further

**Sec. 3. Authority to submit legislation. Resolved:** That the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources may submit legislation relating to the study to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 24**

**S.P. 48 - L.D. 129**

**Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State To Conduct a Pilot Program for Early Voting for the November 2009 Election**

**Sec. 1. Secretary of State to conduct a pilot program for early voting. Resolved:** That the Secretary of State shall administer a pilot program that allows selected municipalities to conduct early voting at polling places up to 10 days prior to election day, November 3, 2009. The Secretary of State shall select the municipalities to participate in the program, subject to the consent of the municipal clerks. In administering the early voting program, the Secretary of State shall use findings of the April 1, 2007 report and