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STATE OF MAINE

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products eligible for the sales tax exemption and purchases eligible for a refund of sales tax. The Joint Standing Committee on Taxation and the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry may each submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature relating to the report.

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

Effective May 4, 2009.

CHAPTER 26 H.P. 439 - L.D. 625

Resolve, To Ensure All Children Covered by MaineCare Receive Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Services

Sec. 1. Early and periodic screening, diagnosis and treatment. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall form a work group, including representation from the Department of Education and other public and private stakeholders, to evaluate the current system for provision of early and periodic screening, diagnosis and treatment services in the State and to make recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of those services in meeting the needs of MaineCare-eligible children. The department shall report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2010 on the findings and recommendations of this work group. The Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services is authorized to submit legislation related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature to facilitate the implementation of the work group's recommendations.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 27 H.P. 30 - L.D. 35

Resolve, Directing the State Tax Assessor To Work with Local Law Enforcement Agencies To Improve Tax Collection and Enforcement along the Border of the State

Sec. 1. State Tax Assessor to work with municipal and county officials and law enforcement agencies. Resolved: That the State Tax Assessor shall work with municipal and county officials and law enforcement agencies in areas close to the border with New Hampshire to identify residents of the State who register vehicles, aircraft or watercraft in another state to avoid paying excise taxes in the State and otherwise avoid state income and sales tax. The assessor shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over taxation matters by January 15, 2011 describing activities conducted pursuant to this resolve and reporting the amount of revenue collected as a result of those activities. The committee may submit legislation to the First Regular Session of the 125th Legislature related to the report.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 28 S.P. 367 - L.D. 984

Resolve, To Establish a Pilot Program To Provide Greater Cooperation and Coordination between the University of Maine System and the Maine Community College System

Sec. 1. Pilot program established. Resolved: That Southern Maine Community College and Kennebec Valley Community College shall develop a pilot program with the University of Southern Maine and the University of Maine at Augusta, respectively, to provide a seamless transition process for students attending the Maine Community College System to earn an associate degree and to transfer their college credits to attend the University of Maine System with the goal of graduating with a baccalaureate degree; and be it further

- **Sec. 2. Goals. Resolved:** That the goals of the pilot program are to develop a model for further collaboration between the participating colleges and universities in the service of student success, retention and degree completion and to provide data for future academic policy for all future student success. To achieve these goals, the participating colleges and universities shall ensure that the pilot program is a student-centered model that:
- 1. Leads to a seamless pathway between a community college and a university;
- 2. Supports students in obtaining appropriate information leading to course selection that maximizes the transfer of credits between institutions: