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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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Augusta, Maine 2011

Sec. 4. Health effects. Resolved: That, to the extent that resources are available, the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention shall conduct an analysis of the research on health effects from wind turbines, including effects from noise, and provide a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology by February 1, 2012. The report must include recommendations for making the information in the report easily accessible to the public.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 94 H.P. 321 - L.D. 403

Resolve, To Encourage School Administrative Units To Adopt a Mission Statement for Each of the Public Schools Operated by the School Administrative Unit

- **Sec. 1. Mission statement. Resolved:** That the Department of Education shall encourage each school administrative unit to adopt a mission statement for each school under its jurisdiction and shall encourage each school board to solicit input from teachers, administrators, parents, students and community members in the development and adoption of a mission statement. This resolve does not apply to a school administrative unit that has already adopted mission statements for each of the schools under its jurisdiction; and be it further
- **Sec. 2. Technical assistance. Resolved:** That, upon the request of a school board, the Department of Education shall provide technical assistance to the school administrative unit in the development of mission statements as set forth under section 1; and be it further
- **Sec. 3. Review. Resolved:** That, by June 15, 2014, the Department of Education shall conduct a review of the adoption of mission statements by school administrative units; and be it further
- **Sec. 4. Report. Resolved:** That, by September 1, 2014, the Department of Education shall submit a written report of the findings of the review under this resolve, including any recommendations resulting from the review, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 95 S.P. 232 - L.D. 739

Resolve, To Amend the Rules Concerning Long-term Care Services To Better Support Family Caregivers

Sec. 1. Resolved: That, within the limits of its existing resources, the Department of Health and Human Services shall engage parties interested in the well-being of elderly and disabled adults for the purpose of creating a standard-form written contract that would satisfy existing MaineCare rules requiring a written contract for long-term care personal support services delivered by a relative in a home setting. The use of this contract form may not preclude the use of other forms. The Department of Health and Human Services shall post the contract form on its publicly accessible website, and shall adopt rules to implement the standard-form written contract. Rules adopted pursuant to this resolve are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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CHAPTER 96 H.P. 265 - L.D. 332

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 11: Rules Governing the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program, 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

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 Chapter 11: Rules Governing the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program, 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 legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective June 21, 2011.

CHAPTER 97 H.P. 1164 - L.D. 1581

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 50: Principles of Reimbursement for Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded, a Major Substantive Rule of the DHHS

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 portions of Chapter 101, MaineCare Bene-

fits Manual, Chapter III, Section 50: Principles of Reimbursement for Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded, 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 legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective June 21, 2011.

CHAPTER 98 H.P. 1173 - L.D. 1585

Resolve, Regarding Legislative
Review of Portions of Chapter
101, MaineCare Benefits
Manual, Chapter III,
Section 97, Private
Non-Medical Institution
Services, Appendix D:
Principles of Reimbursement
for Child Care Facilities, 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

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 Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 97, Private Non-Medical Institution Services, Appendix D: Principles of Reimbursement for Child Care Facilities, a provi-