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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

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Augusta, Maine 2025

Service shall take into consideration geographic and demographic diversity in membership and ensure that membership of the committee includes a youth advocate and representatives of all applicable state agencies, the outdoor education program provider community, the natural resources community and upper elementary and middle school education.

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

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

Outdoor School for All Maine Students Program Fund N427

Initiative: Provides base allocations to authorize expenditures for the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Service's administration of the Outdoor School for All Maine Students Program in the event that funds from public or private sources are received.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$500	\$500
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$500	\$500

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

Effective May 23, 2025.

CHAPTER 85 S.P. 402 - L.D. 912

An Act to Limit the Amount of Electricity That May Be Provided to Data Centers on a Certain Commercial or Industrial Site

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

Whereas, economic development in certain areas of the State requires ensuring that energy resources are available to a variety of employers and industries; and

Whereas, this legislation is immediately necessary to ensure that local sources of electricity generation are not monopolized by data centers; 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. 35-A MRSA §102, sub-§20-B, ¶B,** as enacted by PL 2019, c. 205, §2, is amended to read:
 - B. The entity's tenants: or
- **Sec. 2. 35-A MRSA §102, sub-§20-B, ¶C,** as enacted by PL 2019, c. 205, §2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
 - C. Commercial or industrial consumers located on the property where the entity is located or on abutting property; or
- Sec. 3. 35-A MRSA §102, sub-§20-B, ¶D is enacted to read:
 - D. Commercial or industrial consumers located on a commercial or industrial site within the control area of the New England independent system operator and located in a municipality north of the Town of Chester that was served by the entity or its predecessor without using the transmission and distribution plant of a public utility prior to December 31, 2018. The exception under this paragraph does not apply if more than 25% of the nameplate capacity of the entity is used to serve data centers located on the commercial or industrial site. For the purposes of this paragraph, "data center" means any facility in the State, which may be a freestanding structure or a facility within a larger structure, that primarily contains electronic equipment used to process, store and transmit digital information that uses environmental control equipment to maintain the proper conditions for the operation of electronic equipment.

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

Effective May 23, 2025.

CHAPTER 86 S.P. 410 - L.D. 954

An Act to Amend the Law Governing the Membership of the Government Oversight Committee

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

Whereas, this legislation amends the laws governing the membership of the Government Oversight Committee; and