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SURVIVORS OF MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA FUND AND PROGRAM

§3971. Survivors of Military Sexual Trauma Fund and Program

1. Fund established; purpose. The Survivors of Military Sexual Trauma Fund, referred to in this section as "the fund," is established within the department. The fund may receive money from any available state, federal or private source. The fund may not lapse but must be carried forward to carry out the purposes of this section.

2. Program established; purpose. The Survivors of Military Sexual Trauma Program, referred to in this section as "the program," is established within the department to assist organizations in the State that provide housing and support services for unhoused veterans and their children and for survivors of military sexual trauma.

3. Uses of fund. The fund may be used to support the program.

Sec. 5. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Active Duty Military Transition to Civilian Life Fund N525

Initiative: Provides ongoing allocations to support organizations in the State conducting outreach and providing support services to active duty military members and their families who are transitioning to civilian life.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$200,000	\$200,000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$200,000	\$200,000

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
	\$200,000	\$200,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$200,000	\$200,000

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Survivors of Military Sexual Trauma Fund N535

Initiative: Provides ongoing allocations to support organizations in the State providing housing and support

services for unhoused veterans and their children and for survivors of military sexual trauma.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$285,000	\$285,000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$285,000	\$285,000

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
	\$285,000	\$285,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$285,000	\$285,000

SECTION TOTALS

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
	\$485,000	\$485,000
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$485,000	\$485,000

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

Effective June 19, 2025.

CHAPTER 369

S.P. 376 - L.D. 843

An Act to Continue Funding for the Health Insurance Consumer Assistance Program

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §4326, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2019, c. 522, §1, is amended to read:

4. Report. The operator of the consumer assistance program shall report to the Attorney General, according to the requirements of the contract under subsection 4 3, on aggregate data relevant to the services provided by and activities of the consumer assistance program, and annually, by January 15th 31st, the Attorney General shall report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health insurance matters on the aggregate data.

Sec. 2. Transfers from available fiscal year 2025-26 and fiscal year 2026-27 Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance Other Special Revenue Funds bal-

ances to Department of Attorney General. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on November 1, 2025 and on July 1, 2026, the State Controller shall transfer \$300,000 from available balances in the Bureau of Insurance Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation to the Department of the Attorney General, Administration - Attorney General, Other Special Revenue Funds account.

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE

Administration - Attorney General 0310

Initiative: Provides a one-time allocation to contract with a designated nonprofit, independent health insurance consumer assistance entity to continue to operate the Health Insurance Consumer Assistance Program, as established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 24-A, section 4326.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$300,000	\$300,000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$300,000	\$300,000

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 370

H.P. 716 - L.D. 1094

**An Act to Prohibit a Person
from Obtaining an Elver
Dealer's License for a
Minimum of 5 Years in Cases
of Repeat Violations of License
Conditions**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6406, sub-§1, as amended by PL 2009, c. 151, §6, is further amended to read:

1. Prohibited acts. It is unlawful for any person whose license or right to obtain a license is under suspension to:

- A. Engage in any licensed activity;
- B. Give another person permission to raise, lift, transfer or possess lobster traps or cars marked with the suspended person's lobster and crab fishing license number or lobster traps with buoys that carry the color design on file with the suspended license;
- C. Assist a holder of a Class II lobster and crab fishing license as a crew member; ~~or~~

E. For any violation occurring on or after the effective date of this paragraph, assist any license holder as a crew member in any activity authorized by the suspended license; ~~or~~

F. Hold a direct and substantial financial interest in any business that buys, possesses, transports or sells elvers if that person has had that person's license or right to obtain a license issued under section 6864 suspended or revoked.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6864, sub-§1-A, as amended by PL 2013, c. 492, §15, is further amended to read:

1-A. Limits on issuance after February 1st. The department may not issue an elver dealer's license or a supplemental license after February 1st of the current licensing year.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6864, sub-§1-B is enacted to read:

1-B. Limits on issuance to same person. The department may not issue an elver dealer's license or a supplemental license to a person using the same business address as a person who has violated section 6404-K, subsection 1 for at least 5 years following the violation.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 371

H.P. 724 - L.D. 1105

**An Act Concerning Displaced
Civilian Federal Firefighters in
Maine**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §1407 is enacted to read:

§1407. Displaced civilian federal firefighters database

The department shall establish and maintain a database of the names of civilian federal firefighters who have been displaced by a layoff or reduction in force at or closure of a federal installation in this State, including, but not limited to, a naval shipyard, a military base or a facility of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, pursuant to this section.

1. Application. A civilian federal firefighter may apply for inclusion in the database by providing a copy of the notice that the firefighter's position has been terminated due to a reduction in force at or closure of a federal installation in this State.

2. Distribution. The department shall distribute or make available from the database a list of displaced civilian federal firefighters to municipalities that maintain