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**An Act to Repeal Certain Boards and Commissions.**

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Reported by Representative BAGLEY for the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Joint Order 2001 H.P. 1208.

*Millicent M. MacFarland*

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

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

4 **Sec. 1. 3 MRSA c. 9,** as amended, is repealed.

6 **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §12004-I, sub-§7-B,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 372, §1, is repealed.

8 **Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §12004-I, sub-§37-A,** as enacted by PL 1989, c. 400, §2, is repealed.

10 **Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §12004-I, sub-§53,** as enacted by PL 1987, c. 786, §5, is repealed.

12 **Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §12004-K, sub-§7,** as enacted by PL 1987, c. 786, §5, is repealed.

14 **Sec. 6. 10 MRSA §1678, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

16 **4. Reporting.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Title 5, section 12005-A, the committee is not required to file an annual report with the Secretary of State unless the committee meets and exercises any of its duties during a calendar year. In any calendar year in which the board meets and exercises any of the its duties, the board is subject to the provisions of Title 5, section 12005-A.

18 **Sec. 7. 20-A MRSA §12851, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 372, §2, is repealed.

20 **Sec. 8. 20-A MRSA §12852,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 372, §2, is amended to read:

22 **§12852. System designation**

24 The Area Health Education Center at the University of New  
26 England is designated as the system. The system operates  
28 statewide and consists of a program office at the University of  
30 New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, ~~the committee~~ and  
32 centers. The statewide consortium for health professions  
34 education and any regional area health education center that  
36 exists on the effective date of this chapter or any merged or  
38 successor entities of those agencies that meet federal area  
40 health education center requirements may become part of the  
42 system by contractual agreement.

44 **Sec. 9. 20-A MRSA §12855,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 372, §2, is amended to read:

46 **§12855. Director**

2 The University of New England, ~~with the advice of the~~  
3 ~~committee,~~ shall appoint a system director who meets federal area  
4 health education center requirements. The director is  
5 responsible for the administration of the system in accordance  
6 with policies established under this chapter.

7 **Sec. 10. 20-A MRSA §12856**, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 372, §2,  
8 is repealed.

9 **Sec. 11. 20-A MRSA §12857, first ¶**, as enacted by PL 1991, c.  
10 372, §2, is repealed.

11 **Sec. 12. 22 MRSA c. 1071, sub-c. XII**, as amended, is repealed.

12 **Sec. 13. 26 MRSA §1082, sub-§5**, as repealed and replaced by PL  
13 1989, c. 878, Pt. A, §72, is repealed.

14 **Sec. 14. 26 MRSA §1082, sub-§6**, as amended by PL 1981, c. 168,  
15 §16, is further amended to read:

16 **6. Employment stabilization.** The Commissioner of Labor,  
17 ~~with the advice and aid of such advisory council as he may~~  
18 ~~appoint,~~ may take all appropriate steps to reduce and prevent  
19 unemployment; to encourage and assist in the adoption of  
20 practical methods of vocational training, retraining and  
21 vocational guidance; to investigate, recommend, advise and assist  
22 in the establishment and operation, by municipalities, counties,  
23 school districts and the State, of reserves for public works to  
24 be used in times of business depression and unemployment; to  
25 promote the reemployment of unemployed workers throughout the  
26 State in every other way that may be feasible; and to these ends  
27 to carry on and publish the results of investigations and  
28 research studies.

29 **Sec. 15. 30-A MRSA §6113** is enacted to read:

30 **§6113. Reporting**

31 Notwithstanding the provisions of Title 5, section 12005-A,  
32 the board is not required to file an annual report with the  
33 Secretary of State unless the board meets and exercises any of  
34 its powers and duties during a calendar year. In any calendar  
35 year in which the board meets and exercises any of its powers and  
36 duties, the board is subject to the provisions of Title 5,  
37 section 12005-A.

38 **Sec. 16. 38 MRSA §2152, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

2 7. Reporting. Notwithstanding the provisions of Title 5,  
3 section 12005-A, the board is not required to file an annual  
4 report with the Secretary of State unless the board meets and  
5 exercises any of its powers and duties during a calendar year.  
6 In any calendar year in which the board meets and exercises any  
7 of its powers and duties, the board is subject to the provisions  
8 of Title 5, section 12005-A.

## 10 SUMMARY

12 This bill repeals the following boards and commissions that  
13 failed to file an annual report of activities with the Secretary  
14 of State for 1999 and 2000 or that filed annual reports with the  
15 Secretary of State indicating inactivity in the preceding 24  
16 months: Commission on Interstate Cooperation, the Maine Area  
17 Health Education Centers Advisory Commission, the Child Welfare  
18 Advisory Committee and the state advisory council on labor. It  
19 also exempts the Board of Emergency Municipal Finance, the  
20 Petroleum Advisory Committee and the Facility Siting Board from  
21 the annual reporting provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes,  
22 Title 5, section 12005-A except for any calendar year in which  
those bodies meet.