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### ACTS AND RESOLVES

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#### Chapter 1

### AN ACT Defining Secondary Schools.

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

Whereas, certain school administrative units have already authorized technical centers; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to pay construction costs in lump sums to such units under the Revised Statutes, Title 20, section 3460; 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. R. S., T. 20, § 2356-B, amended. The first sentence of section 2356-B of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 3 of chapter 440 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

When any administrative unit has constructed, subsequent to September 3, 1965, an approved facility to be used as a regional technical and vocational center according to an approved plan as provided in section 2356-A, and has adequately equipped it, for the conduct of not less than 5 approved full-time courses of technical or vocational education, exclusive of, or in addition to, part-time cooperative training programs, and shall maintain and operate a

regional technical and vocational center therein, or shall maintain and operate such a regional technical and vocational center in a facility already available which is approved by the State Board of Education for the maintenance and operation of such a center, the Commissioner of Education shall make the following grants from any funds appropriated available for these purposes, in the apportionment of which special funds which are or may become available to the State Board of Education for distribution for these purposes from federal grants or from other sources may be used in part payment of, but shall not be in addition to, grants authorized by this section:

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, § 2356-B, sub-§ 1, amended. The 2nd paragraph of subsection 1 of section 2356-B of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 3 of chapter 440 of the public laws of 1965 and as amended, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

As used in this section, cost of construction shall consist of the same items as are eligible for construction assistance to School Administrative Districts in accordance with sections 3457, 3458 and 3459 and the grants provided in this section shall be paid at such times and in such installments as are provided for in sections 3457, 3458, 3459 or 3460. The commissioner may authorize grants for construction assistance provided by this section, including grants for equipping or for the completing of the equipping of a facility already available, which shall be in lieu of any construction assistance for the same facility made or authorized under sections 3457, 3458 and 3459, and shall be made only on the basis of information available in the office of the commissioner on November 1st and May 1st of each year covering expenditures made by the administrative unit as reported by its superintendent of schools to the commissioner on forms which he shall provide for the purpose or in the alternative as provided by section 3460.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 20, § 2356-B, sub-§ 1, amended. The 3rd paragraph of subsection 1 of section 2356-B of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 3 of chapter 440 of the public laws of 1965, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

This paragraph shall apply only if state payments are made in accordance with sections 3457, 3458 and 3459.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 20, § 2356-H, amended. Section 2356-H of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 3 of chapter 440 of the public laws of 1965, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

This section shall not apply to construction grants made under section 3460.

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 20, § 3452, amended. The first paragraph of section 3452 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 14 of chapter 425 of the public laws of 1967, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

For the purposes of this chapter, chapters 117, 207, 209, 211 and 511, and sections 522, 1292, 2356-A to 2356-H and 3457 to 3460, the following terms are defined:

Sec. 6. R. S., T. 20, § 3452, sub-§ 5, amended. Subsection 5 of section 3452 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 19 of chapter 425 of the public laws of 1967, is further amended to read as follows:

5. Secondary school. "Secondary school" shall be understood to include that part of the school organization of a town offering a program of studies as included in secondary schools or any part thereof as defined by section 1281 and as arranged for by the establishment and maintenance of a free high school, a union high school or by contract with the school committee of an adjoining town or with the trustees of an academy within the town or in an adjoining town as provided for by section 1289 and any regional technical and vocational center approved by the State Board of Education.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective January 20, 1971

#### Chapter 2

AN ACT Relating to Reports of Registration and Enrollment of Voters.

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

R. S., T. 21, § 1091, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 1091 of Title 21 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Within 10 days after a primary election, the registrar shall report the total number of voters in each voting district of the municipality and the number of voters enrolled in each political party in each voting district of the municipality at the close of the polls on election day.

Effective September 23, 1971

### Chapter 3

AN ACT Relating to Time Change of Enrollment in a Political Party.

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

- Sec. 1. R. S., T. 21, § 134, sub-§ 2, amended. Subsection 2 of section 134 of Title 21 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 2 of chapter 451 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. Party designation removed from voting list. On receipt of the application, the registrar shall remove the party designation beside the name of the applicant on the voting list and shall make a notation on the voting list that the applicant is ineligible to vote at a caucus or primary election for a period of 63 months. At the expiration of 63 months from the date of receipt of the application by the registrar, the registrar shall enroll the applicant in the party requested.