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ACTS, RESOLVES AND CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTIONS

AS PASSED BY THE

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CHAPTER 603**AN ACT Amending the Law Relating to the Provision of Housing and Meals to State Employees.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 5, § 8-B, amended. The first 3 sentences of section 8-B of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 588 of the public laws of 1971, are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

It is the intent of the Legislature to discourage the construction, reconstruction and equipping of new housing facilities for state employees at state institutions and all other areas of State Government and to cause the termination of existing provision of housing facilities to state employees whenever other housing facilities are reasonably available to such employees and their residence elsewhere will not substantially impair the effective management and operation of the state department or institution by which such persons are employed. The housing facilities of each state department shall be reviewed periodically by the state department involved, and the provision of any such housing facilities shall be terminated whenever the above stated criteria are met. Except as otherwise provided, in each instance of the provision of housing facilities by the State, a rental charge shall be made to cover the total operating cost of any such facility.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 5, § 8-B, amended. Section 8-B of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 588 of the public laws of 1971, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

No charge shall be made for the provision of housing facilities when the state employee involved is required as a condition of his employment to reside in such housing facilities and when the state employee involved receives a salary less than the salary received by an employee at pay range 21, merit service step E of the compensation plan for classified employees.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 5, § 8-C, amended. Section 8-C of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 588 of the public laws of 1971, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

No charge shall be made for the provision of meals to any state employee who eats such meals within the scope of his employment and in so doing serves a function of his employment.

Effective October 3, 1973

CHAPTER 604**AN ACT Relating to Sudden Infant Death.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 22, § 3026, amended. Section 3026 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 534 of the public laws of 1967, is amended by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

Whenever any child who has not attained his or her 3rd birthday shall die without medical attendance, the medical examiner who examines the body shall make special written report of the death to the Chief Medical Examiner of the State within 72 hours of the time of death and shall include in the report the circumstances surrounding the death, the gross findings at autopsy, or the reasons why an autopsy was not performed, the cause of death as listed on the death certificate, and any other information the Chief Medical Examiner may specify. *The report shall be submitted on a form and in a format specified by the Chief Medical Examiner. The Chief Medical Examiner may specify that such reports be directed to the Director of Health, Department of Health and Welfare.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner the sum of \$20,000 from the General Fund to defray the costs of autopsies required to fulfill the intent of this Act and other costs. The breakdown shall be as follows:

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER		
All Other	\$10,000	\$10,000
Effective October 3, 1973		

CHAPTER 605

AN ACT to Authorize Eleven New Regions and Central Aroostook County Region for Vocational Education.

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

Whereas, there is an urgent need for vocational education in these regions of the State; and

Whereas, the concept of these regional programs will conserve the resources of the local and state governments; and

Whereas, existing school facilities could be more adequately used; 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:

R. S., T. 20, § 2356-A, sub-§ 5, additional. Section 2356-A of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 5, to read as follows: