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lowing 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. 34, § 2518, additional. Title 34 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 2518 to read as follows:

§ 2518. Reimbursement of providers of care and treatment

Notwithstanding any other provision in the law, in the event that part of the care and treatment of a patient as referred to in this chapter is provided by a party other than the State, that portion of the care and treatment costs borne by the provider, if other than the State, shall be paid by the department to such provider from the fee collected by the department for the care and treatment of the patient in the same ratio as the fee collected to the total charge made. However, this section shall not be construed as a limitation on compensation for providers of patient care and treatment or as a limitation on contractual arrangements between such providers and the State.

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

Effective March 14, 1974

CHAPTER 743

AN ACT to Clarify the Duties of the Board of School Directors during Reapportionment.

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

Whereas, School Administrative District #1 is having extreme difficulty in borrowing funds while the board is being reapportioned; and

Whereas, schools will be forced to close if funds are not available; 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, § 301, amended. Section 301 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 100 of the public laws of 1965 and by sections 3 and 4 of chapter 552 of the public laws of 1973, is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

The directors of a School Administrative District during the reapportionment of its membership shall serve until the reapportionment is completed and shall be legal representatives of the district until the reapportioned board is selected and qualified. The directors shall carry out all business of the district including the borrowing of necessary funds which may be required during the period of board reapportionment.

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

Effective March 14, 1974

CHAPTER 744

AN ACT Relating to Certain Dedicated Funds.

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

R. S., T. 5, § 1664, amended. The last paragraph of section 1664 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Part 3 shall embrace complete drafts or summaries of the budget bills, the legislative measures required to give legal sanction to the complete financial plan when adopted by the Legislature. These bills shall include General Fund appropriation bills and Special Revenue Fund allocation bills as may be needed to authorize all operating expenditures of the State Government for each fiscal year of the ensuing biennium. In addition thereto, these bills shall include such other bills as may be required to provide the income necessary to finance the budget.

Effective June 28, 1974

CHAPTER 745

AN ACT to Expand the Line Budget in the Department of Mental Health and Corrections.

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

R. S., T. 5, § 1667, amended. Section 1667 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new sentence after the 2nd sentence, to read as follows:

The Department of Mental Health and Corrections shall further break down its budget to include institutional food expenditures. Funds not expended for this budget item shall not be transferred between line categories.