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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE
One Hundred and Sixth Legislature
1ST SPECIAL SESSION
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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Sixth Legislature

AT THE

SPECIAL SESSION

January 2, 1974

to

March 29, 1974

Whereas, to prevent undue hardship on Maine students and to keep good faith with those graduate students who may attend out-of-state institutions, the following legislation is vitally necessary to exempt such students from the effects of the financial tests established by said chapter 148; 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:

P. & S. L., 1973, c. 148, § 1, Section A, amended. The first 2 paragraphs of Section A of section 1 of chapter 148 of the private and special laws of 1973, under the caption "EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF," are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Grants, Loans and Scholarship Programs

It is the intent of the Legislature that the State enter into such agreements, compacts and contracts as it deems necessary, with the funds available, to assure and guarantee that a certain number of Maine students who are academically qualified are admitted to out-of-state medical and dental schools. If, pursuant to such contract, agreement or compact, the contracting educational institution agrees to admit Maine students at a tuition rate less than the rate for which such students would be admitted but for such agreement, it is the further intent of the Legislature that, commencing with the academic year 1974-1975, contracts, agreements or compacts with the State concerning Maine students attending out-of-state medical and dental schools shall provide that a determination shall be made by the contracting educational institution, after consultation with the Maine Board of the New England Board of Higher Education, as to the financial needs of each particular student. If it is determined that a student is not in need of full financial assistance, such student shall be charged a tuition rate, as determined by the institution, in consultation with the Maine board, up to the highest prevailing tuition rate at the institution. The difference between the contract rate of tuition and the amount determined by the institution pursuant to this paragraph shall be remitted by the institution to the State.

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

Effective February 5, 1974

CHAPTER 185

AN ACT Validating the Franco-American Oblate Fathers, Inc., as a Legal Entity.

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

Franco-American Oblate Fathers, Inc.; validated. The Franco-American Oblate Fathers, Inc., formed by chapter 47 of the private and special laws of

1949, shall continue to be a legal entity from August 6, 1951 to date, notwithstanding the failure to file the certificate of organization of the said corporation within the requisite time period with the Secretary of State and the Hancock County registry of deeds; and to ratify, confirm and validate the acts of the board of trustees and officers of said Franco-American Oblate Fathers, Inc., from August 6, 1951 to date.

Effective June 28, 1974

CHAPTER 186

AN ACT Converting Somerville Plantation into the Town of Somerville.

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

Whereas, it is of concern that people of the State of Maine be allowed to govern themselves on a local level; and

Whereas, it is the purpose of this legislation to allow the inhabitants of the proposed Town of Somerville to begin immediately to govern their own affairs; and

Whereas, the inhabitants of the proposed Town of Somerville have demonstrated the desire and capability of doing so; 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. Town of Somerville, incorporated. Somerville Plantation, with the inhabitants therein, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of Somerville. The inhabitants of said town are hereby vested with the powers, privileges and immunities which the inhabitants of towns within the State do or may enjoy. The town hereby created shall take the effects belonging to Somerville Plantation and shall also assume all the obligations thereof.

Sec. 2. First meeting; how called. Any justice of the peace in the County of Lincoln may issue his warrant to any legal voter in the Plantation of Somerville, directing him to notify the inhabitants to meet at a place specified in said warrant and at a time consistent with the normal annual meeting time in March, 1974, giving at least 7 days' notice therefor, for the choice of town officers and to transact such business as towns are authorized to do.

Sec. 3. Legislative district. Until the next legislative apportionment of Representatives, the Town of Somerville shall remain in the same legislative district in which Somerville Plantation is now classed.

Sec. 4. Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State. This Act shall take effect immediately, only for the purpose of permitting its