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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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AT THE

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AND

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Supplementary to the Acts and Resolves of the Regular Session

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4. **Funds, equipment, property and records.** All funds, equipment, property and records of the bureaus, boards and commissions to be relocated under this Act to the Department of Business Regulation strictly as a result of the reorganization effort, shall, notwithstanding the Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1585, be transferred, on the effective date of this Act, to the proper place in the organizational structure of the Department of Business Regulation by the State Controller, upon recommendation of the department head, the State Budget Officer and upon approval of the Governor. Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect the special revenue accounts of any boards or commissions.

Sec. 82. Effective date. This Act shall become effective 91 days after adjournment of the Legislature.

Effective July 30, 1976

CHAPTER 768

AN ACT to Provide Necessary Corrections in the Education Laws.

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

Whereas, section 12-C of chapter 746 of the Public Laws of 1975 provides for changes in the elementary school tuition rate; and

Whereas, the Legislature feels it is vitally necessary to revise such provision prior to the final school budget meetings to be held by June 1st; 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Sec. 1. 20 MRSA § 225, sub-§ 2, ¶ G, first sentence, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 746, § 5-A, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 20 MRSA § 912, first ¶, last sentence, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 746, section 12-C, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Except as above provided, a child may attend a public elementary school in an administrative unit other than the administrative unit where he lives with his parent as defined in section 859, after having obtained the consent of the school committee or school directors of such administrative unit, and the parent or guardian shall pay as tuition a sum equal to the average expense of each scholar in such school.

Sec. 3. 29 MRSA § 2014, sub-§ 1, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 746, § 25-A, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

1. Seating. No vehicle shall be operated as a school bus unless a minimum of 13 inches of seating space is provided for each child and there shall be no auxiliary seating accommodations such as temporary or folding jump seats. Effective September 1, 1977, seating shall be provided that will permit each occupant to sit in a plain view lateral location.

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

Effective April 16, 1976

CHAPTER 769

AN ACT Concerning Postgraduate Education in the Field of Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Medicine.

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

Sec. 1. 20 MRSA c. 304 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 304

OUT-OF-STATE POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION

§ 2271. Legislative intent

It is the intent of the Legislature to acquire, to the greatest extent possible, the admission of qualified Maine residents to out-of-state educational institutions providing programs of instruction leading to the acquisition of doctoral degrees in medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine.

It is further the intent of this Legislature to provide an inducement to Maine residents, afforded an opportunity to be educated in the aforementioned programs, to return to Maine to practice their professions at the conclusion of their formal education.

§ 2272. Definition of state contract student

For purposes of this chapter, any Maine resident who is enrolled in an educational program at an out-of-state educational institution for which program the State has entered into a contractual arrangement with the institution and, under such arrangement, the State expends funds in return for a guarantee on the part of the institution that student positions will be made available to Maine residents, shall be referred to as a state contract student.

§ 2273. Agreement of state contract student with commissioner