

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE
One Hundred and Sixth Legislature
1ST SPECIAL SESSION
JANUARY 2, 1974 TO MARCH 29, 1974
AND BY THE
One Hundred and Seventh Legislature
REGULAR SESSION
JANUARY 1, 1975 TO JULY 2, 1975

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SECTION 164, SUBSECTION 6.

THE KNOWLTON AND MCLEARY COMPANY
FARMINGTON, MAINE
1975

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Seventh Legislature

1975

TRANSPORTATION, DEPARTMENT OF	1975-76
All Other	\$20,000

Any balances shall not lapse but shall be carried forward from year to year to be expended for the same purpose.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 96

AN ACT Providing for a Study to Determine the Feasibility and Location of a New Bridge across the Kennebec River.

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

Whereas, in the interest of the citizens of the State of Maine, in general, and the citizens of the Cities of Waterville and Winslow, in particular, additional river crossing capability is desirable; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary in the interests of safety; 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. Study. The Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to conduct a study, in cooperation with the Cities of Waterville and Winslow in the County of Kennebec, to determine the feasibility and location of a new bridge across the Kennebec River between the Cities of Waterville and Winslow. The Department of Transportation is further directed to report the results of said study to the first regular session of the Legislature convening after January 1, 1977.

Sec. 2. Allocation. There is allocated from the General Highway Fund the sum of \$35,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, to carry out the purpose of this Act. Any unexpended balance shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purpose of this Act has been accomplished.

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

Effective July 1, 1975

CHAPTER 97

AN ACT Relating to School Administrative District No. 53.

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

School Administrative District No. 53. Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Statutes, Title 20, School Administrative District No. 53 is authorized to contract for the schooling of its secondary pupils and pay tuition to the secondary school providing schooling for the secondary school pupils

of School Administrative District No. 53 in an amount equal to the maximum allowable tuition charge pursuant to the Revised Statutes, Title 20, section 1291. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Department of Educational and Cultural Services shall reimburse School Administrative District No. 53 pursuant to the provisions of the Revised Statutes, Title 20, section 3713 its allocation for secondary school expenses for the fiscal years 1975-1976 and 1976-1977.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 98

AN ACT Relating to Funding of Richmond Schools for 1975.

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

Sec. 1. State grant for school funding. Notwithstanding any provision of statute to the contrary, the Town of Richmond school department is granted for calendar year 1975 only the sum of \$22,000 with the provision that the Richmond citizens vote to match the state appropriation by raising \$11,000 in addition to the state assessed uniform tax and the 2½ mills local leeway appropriation.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$22,000 for distribution to the Richmond school department by the Department of Educational and Cultural Services in calendar year 1975.

1975-76

EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Education—General Purpose Aid for Local Schools

All Other

\$22,000

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 99

AN ACT to Create the Commission on Education Finance.

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

Whereas, the increased cost of education is creating significant pressures on the state budget; and

Whereas, the Legislature must know in greater depth the financial impact of the present school funding law and its effect on local communities and must have a clear understanding of alternatives in funding pursued in other states; 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 vitally necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,