

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sec. 2. Marine species regulation; Pemaquid River. The Commissioner of Marine Resources shall make no regulations that apply specifically and uniquely to the Pemaquid River, except regulations to protect the rights and privileges of the Town of Bristol in the alewife fishery. This prohibition shall not limit the commissioner's authority to make general regulations regarding the time, method, number, weight, length and condition under which marine species may be taken from any coastal waters, nor his authority to limit the taking of marine species in order to safeguard and protect the public health and safety; provided the regulations shall not abridge nor affect in any manner, the rights and privileges now held by law by the Town of Bristol to take alewives from this river.

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

Effective April 13, 1977

CHAPTER 21

AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad.

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

Whereas, the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad, a corporation created specially by charter approved by the Legislature in 1867, has recently been granted federal moneys to upgrade and improve its equipment; and

Whereas, it is questionable as to whether or not the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad has sufficient corporate authority to lease equipment in order to effectively utilize the federal loan approved by the Federal Government in conjunction with the approval of the Department of Transportation of the State of Maine; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that the following legislation be enacted in order to properly utilize federal funding already approved so as to maintain essential railroad services of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad; 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 & SL 1867, c. 380, § 5, 1st sentence, is amended to read:

The president and directors for the time being are hereby authorized and empowered by themselves or their agents, to exercise all the powers herein

granted to the corporation for the purpose of locating, constructing and completing said railroad and its appendages, and for the transportation of persons, goods and property of all descriptions, and all such power and authority for the management of the affairs of the corporation, as may be necessary and proper to carry into effect the objects of this grant, to purchase, lease and hold lands, materials, engines and cars, and other necessary things in the name of the corporation, for the use of said road and its appendages, and for the transportation of persons, goods and property of all descriptions, to make such equal assessments from time to time on all the shares in said corporation as they may deem expedient and necessary in the execution and progress of the work, and direct the same to be paid to the treasurer of the corporation.

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

Effective April 13, 1977

CHAPTER 22

AN ACT to Transfer to Central Maine General Hospital School of Nursing, a Corporation, the Authorization Heretofore Granted to Central Maine General Hospital, a Corporation with a School of Nursing, to Confer Associate in Applied Science Degrees in Nursing.

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

Whereas, the Legislature, in the first special session of the 107th Legislature by the private and special law, chapter 123, granted authority to Central Maine General Hospital, a corporation with a school of nursing, to grant Associate in Applied Science Degrees, commencing in June 1977; and

Whereas, Central Maine General Hospital has changed its corporate name to "Central Maine Medical Center;" and

Whereas, students are presently enrolled in the Central Maine Medical Center's School of Nursing anticipating earning Associate in Applied Science Degrees in Nursing in June of 1977; and

Whereas, Central Maine Medical Center has been advised by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc., that the school of nursing will be accredited only if it exists as a separate corporate entity distinct from but affiliated with Central Maine Medical Center; and

Whereas, Central Maine Medical Center has caused a corporation to be organized under the Revised Statutes, Title 13, chapter 81, under the name of Central Maine Medical Center School of Nursing; and

Whereas, if this Act is not effective until 90 days after adjournment of the