

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
AT THE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

January 4, 1978 to April 6, 1978

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

(No laws enacted)

September 6, 1978 to September 15, 1978

SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

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RESOLVES
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January 4, 1978 to April 6, 1978

; and be it further

Sec. 5. Summary. Resolved: That the figures appearing in this resolve represent the total amount of taxes and the total specific expenditures authorized for the calendar year 1978. The following is a summary of receipts and appropriations:

Total Appropriations		\$965,513
Available Credits:		
Estimated Revenue	\$ 65,500	
Federal Revenue Sharing	299,397	
Antirecessional Fiscal Assistance	100,531	
Transfer from Surplus	<u>80,121</u>	
Total Available Credits		<u>\$545,549</u>
Amount to be raised by taxation		\$419,964

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

Effective March 21, 1978

CHAPTER 75

RESOLVE, Requiring the Commissioner of Business Regulation to Study the Costs and Benefits accruing to the State as a result of Self-insurance of all or Part of Group Health Insurance Coverage.

Whereas, there may be substantial savings to the State by providing that the State may self-insure part or all of the group health insurance benefits provided by the State; and

Whereas, there are many factors to be considered in determining whether such a plan would result in a cost saving while ensuring that members of the group have comparable coverage and other benefits; now, therefore, be it

Study by the Commissioner of Business Regulation. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Business Regulation shall direct a study with the assistance of a committee which shall include the State Controller, the board of trustees who administer the state group accident and sickness or health insurance and 2 state employees who shall be appointed by the commissioner. The commissioner shall provide assistance to the committee from bureaus within the Department of Business Regulation, consultants or actuaries as necessary, and be it further

Factors to be studied. Resolved: That the study shall include a consideration of at least the following factors:

1. Cost. The cost to the State and state employees;
2. Quality. The quality of service;
3. Funding. The funding of service;
4. Claims. The reporting and handling of claims; and
5. Location. Location of administrative functions, number, type and cost of personnel;

and such other matters as the commissioner may deem necessary, and be it further

Report of Findings. Resolved: That the commissioner report his findings to the First Regular Session of the 109th Legislature with all recommended legislation in final draft form.

Effective July 6, 1978

CHAPTER 76

RESOLVE, Authorizing the Exchange of Certain Public Reserved Lands (St. Regis Paper Company).

Director of Bureau of Public Lands; authorized to consummate exchange of public reserved lands. Resolved: That the Director of the Bureau of Public Lands is authorized to consummate the exchange of lands contemplated by the Agreement dated February 8, 1978, between the State of Maine and St. Regis Paper Company, a copy of which is attached to this resolve and is incorporated herein for all purposes. Any and all lands received by the State pursuant to this exchange shall be, for all purposes, public reserved land of the State of Maine and shall be held in trust by the State under the same terms and conditions as apply to other public reserved lands.

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is dated this 8th day of February, 1978, between ST. REGIS PAPER COMPANY, a New York corporation, with a place of business at Bucksport, Maine (herein called "St. Regis"), and the STATE of MAINE (acting through its Commissioner of Conservation and its Director of the Bureau of Public Lands, herein called "State of Maine").

1. St. Regis agrees to convey to the State of Maine by quitclaim deed all of its