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geographic area within an existing health facility, where practicable, increases both access and quantity of services provided and increases the likelihood costs for these services will be reasonable.

It is the intent of the Legislature to define a policy for the Department of Human Services in order that health services paid for by state and federal funds be coordinated through existing health facilities whenever possible.

2. Coordination of health services. To assure equal access to and to avoid the unnecessary duplication of administrative systems, of health services and of health care facilities, the Department of Human Services shall, to the extent practicable, assure that health services funded or provided under the United States Social Security Act, Title V, ESPDT of Title XIX and Title XX, as amended, the United States Public Health Services Act, Section 314 D of Title III, as amended, the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Special Supplemental Food Program of the United States Child Nutrition Act of 1966, or its successor, the United States Older Americans Act, ASPDT of Title III, as amended, shall be provided through agreements with an existing health facility as long as quality of care is maintained.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 394

S. P. 374 — L. D. 1154

AN ACT to Clarify the Statutory Requirements for Issuance of Maine Guides Licenses.

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

12 MRSA § 2053, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th paragraphs, as amended, are repealed and the following enacted in their place:

Any person wishing to be licensed as a Maine guide shall submit an application on such forms as the commissioner may provide. All persons who have not held a guide's license prior to January 1, 1980 shall be required to pass an examination as directed by the board of examiners.

A board of examiners for the licensing of guides shall consist of: The commissioner or such subordinate officer of the department as the commissioner may designate; 2 wardens of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; and a representative of the public to be appointed by the Governor for a term of 3 years. The public member shall receive no compensation, but shall be reimbursed by the department for actual expenses incurred in carrying out his duties, at the same rate as provided for state employees. Examinations shall be held in areas

designated by the commissioner. The board shall act on all applications within 5 working days of receipt, and shall notify all applicants at least 2 weeks prior to the examination. The board of examiners shall make such rules pertaining to the licensing of guides as it deems necessary.

The commissioner, upon receipt of the recommendation of his designee, may license such persons as a general guide or a specialized guide and the commissioner may, at his discretion, change the classification of guides from one class to another.

Guides shall be restricted in the use of watercraft while guiding on such waters as the commissioner may prescribe. Guides using a motorboat shall have either a valid license to operate a motorboat carrying passengers for hire issued by the Bureau of Watercraft Registration and Safety, or a valid superior USCG license.

A guide whose license is not suspended or revoked may renew that license annually upon the payment of the \$32 fee. Completion and passage of the guide's examination is not a requirement for renewal.

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CHAPTER 395

H. P. 905 — L. D. 1126

AN ACT to Facilitate Absentee Voting in Foreign Jurisdictions.

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

21 MRSA § 1254, sub-§ 1, 2nd sentence, as amended by PL 1967, c. 163, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

When he is outside the State but within the United States the voter shall mark his ballot before a notary public having a seal or functional equivalent and when he is outside of the United States the voter shall mark his ballot and return the ballot as provided in subsection 5.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 396

S. P. 564 — L. D. 1626

AN ACT to Make Certain Adjustments for Legislative Personnel as a Result of Collective Bargaining.