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qualify under federal legislation for payment from federal sources are designated as priority social services for payment of expenditures from state funds appropriated to carry out the purposes of this chapter:

Homemaker -- Health Aide Services;
 Developmental Day Care, including Family Day Care;
 Services for the Mentally Retarded;
 Mental Health Services;
 Transportation Services;
 Meals for Older People; and
 Health and Home Care Needs for the Elderly.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §6111, sub-§3, as repealed and replaced by P&SL 1975, c. 90, Sec. C, §4, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

3. Use of federal government resources. State funds appropriated for priority social services may be used to match appropriate federal funds, except those appropriated under the Social Services Block Grant, to continue or expand priority programs under this chapter.

Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §6111, sub-§5, last ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 523, §2, and by P&SL 1975, c. 90, Sec. C, §4, is repealed as follows:

Any portion of state funds appropriated for priority social services may be used to earn federal funds to offer social services to residents who do not qualify for social services payable under Titles IV-A and XVI of the Social Security Act.

Effective July 13, 1982.

CHAPTER 609

H.P. 1955 - L.D. 1927

AN ACT to Allow the Transfer of Aquaculture Leases.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6072, sub-§2, ¶¶B and C, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661, §5, are amended to read:

B. A lease shall not exceed an area of 5 acres; and

C. No applicant shall be permitted to lease more than 200 acres; and .

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6072, sub-§2, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661, §5, is repealed.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6072, sub-§12-A is enacted to read:

12-A. Transferability. A lease may be transferred to another person for the remaining portion of its term subject to the following conditions.

A. Lease transfers shall be subject to the same procedural requirements as initial applications, except that a public hearing is not mandatory unless requested by an interested person.

B. The commissioner may grant lease transfers, with the advice and consent of the advisory council, if he determines that:

(1) The change in lessee does not violate any of the standards in subsection 7;

(2) The transfer is not intended to circumvent the intent of subsection 8; and

(3) The transfer is not for speculative purposes.

Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §6072, sub-§13, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661, §5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

13. Regulations. The commissioner may adopt or amend regulations:

A. Establishing minimum standards for maintaining leases;

B. For procedures to issue, transfer, review or revoke leases; and

C. For notices and hearings to the extent that those procedures are not established by this section or the

Maine Administrative Procedure Act, Title 5, chapter
375.

Effective July 13, 1982.

CHAPTER 610

H.P. 1727 - L.D. 1712

**AN ACT to Revise the Fair Credit Reporting Act and to
Conform it to Recent Maine Judicial Decisions.**

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

Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §1311-A is enacted to read:

§1311-A. Statement of purpose

1. Findings. The Legislature makes the following findings.

A. Creditors, insurers and prospective employers are dependent upon fair and accurate consumer reporting. Inaccurate consumer reports directly impair the efficiency of economic decisions, and unfair consumer reporting methods undermine the public confidence which is essential to our economic system.

B. An elaborate mechanism has been developed for investigating and evaluating the credit worthiness, credit standing, credit capacity, character and general reputation of consumers.

C. Consumer reporting agencies have assumed a vital role in assembling and evaluating consumer credit and other information on consumers.

D. There is a need to ensure that consumer reporting agencies exercise their grave responsibilities with fairness, impartiality and a respect for the consumer's right to privacy.

2. Purposes. The purposes of this chapter are to: