

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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as he may deem appropriate, including civil action for recovery of funds and criminal prosecution by the Attorney General. The executive director shall, upon request of the Attorney General and in such a manner as he deems appropriate, assist in the recovery of funds.

Effective September 23, 1983.

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## CHAPTER 122

H.P. 943 - L.D. 1213

AN ACT Limiting the Cost of Local Pay  
Telephone Calls.

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

35 MRSA §106 is enacted to read:

§106. Telephone charges for local calls

The rate charged by any telephone company for a local telephone call made from a public or semipublic pay telephone shall be the same throughout its service territory for calls of equal duration.

Effective September 23, 1983.

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## CHAPTER 123

S.P. 416 - L.D. 1263

AN ACT to Amend the Statute Relative to  
the Appointment of the Commissioner of  
Educational and Cultural Services.

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

Whereas, there will be a vacancy in the office of the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services before that date; and

Whereas, it is desirable to avoid any confusion as to the Governor's and State Board of Education's responsibilities to appoint a new commissioner; 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:

20-A MRSA §251, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693, §§5 and 8, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

1. Appointment. The commissioner shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and to confirmation by the Legislature.

A. The Governor shall include the chairman of the State Board of Education in the selection process and shall ensure that the state board has an opportunity to meet and interview the candidate or candidates.

B. Within 10 days of meeting with the candidate or candidates, the state board shall deliver to the Governor its written appraisal of the strengths and weaknesses of the candidate or candidates.

C. The Governor shall consider the appraisal of the state board prior to posting the nomination of a candidate.

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

Effective April 7, 1983.

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## CHAPTER 124

H.P. 911 - L.D. 1161

AN ACT to Provide for Voluntary  
Inspection of Trailers and Semitrailers  
under the Motor Vehicle Laws.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-