

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

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J.S. McCarthy Co., Inc.  
Augusta, Maine  
1986

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**RESOLVES**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED AT THE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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

Whereas, the Fair Harbor Residential Program is the only residential program in southern Maine available to adolescent girls at risk who cannot be placed in a home setting, mental health facility or juvenile detention facility; and

Whereas, unless funds are immediately made available, the program will have to be closed; 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

Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	<u>1983-84</u>	<u>1984-85</u>
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HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Fair Harbor Residential Program

All Other	\$25,000	\$50,000
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This appropriation provides for 3 additional beds at the Fair Harbor Residential Program. This appropriation shall be subject to review before future funding is granted.

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

Effective April 27, 1984.

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## CHAPTER 84

H.P. 1777 - L.D. 2355

RESOLVE, Establishing a Task Force on  
Head Injuries.

Head injuries; purpose. Resolved: That the Legislature notes that there are approximately 3,500 people in Maine who have suffered head injuries as a result of accidents. Since there is no one agency in State Government responsible for people with head injuries, there is a lack of coordination of existing services and insufficient awareness of available programs and services. The nature of head injuries varies greatly, as does the age of those injured. The funds available to assist handicapped persons are insufficient to aid all who need assistance, and many necessary services are not available; and be it further

Task force on head injuries; establishment. Resolved: That the Legislature establishes a Task Force on Head Injuries. The task force shall consist of 13 persons, named by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, representing executive agencies, the Legislature, the medical and social service professions and citizens with experience and knowledge of head injuries. The members shall be: A designee of the Commissioner of Human Services; a designee of the Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retardation; a designee of the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services; a designee of the Commissioner of Public Safety; one Senator; one Representative; 5 representatives of the Maine Head Injury Foundation; a representative of the Maine Medical Association; and a representative of a community-based, consumer-oriented provider of care; and be it further

Study of existing services. Resolved: That the task force survey existing services available in Maine for persons with head injuries and their families; and be it further

Coordination and cooperation. Resolved: That the task force study the feasibility of case coordination, interagency cooperation and designation of a lead agency for persons with head injuries; and be it further

Review of existing statutes and programs. Resolved: That the task force review existing statutes, programs and rules which might be adopted to serve persons with head injuries; and be it further

Education. Resolved: That the task force undertake efforts to educate the public about the causes, prevention, treatment and management of head injuries; and be it further

**Report. Resolved:** That the task force report to the 112th Legislature, by January 1985. The report shall include recommendations for administrative action and for legislation, together with any necessary appropriations; and be it further

**Compensation. Resolved:** That all members of the task force shall receive compensation for travel and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

Effective July 25, 1984.

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## CHAPTER 85

H.P. 1776 - L.D. 2354

**RESOLVE, to Establish a Select Committee  
Concerning Forest Practices in the State.**

Select committee established. **RESOLVED:** That a select committee is established to study the forest practice actions occurring in the State. The committee shall consist of the following members: Three members of the Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources; 3 members of the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; one member representing woodcutters; one member representing the Paper Industry Information Office; one member representing the University of Maine Department of Forestry; one member representing the Maine Chapter of the Society of American Foresters; one member of the Small Woodlot Owners Association of Maine; and one member of the public. The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate shall appoint the legislative committee members. The Governor shall appoint the nonlegislative committee members in the following manner: The members representing the Paper Industry Information Office, the Maine Chapter of the Society of American Foresters and the Small Woodlot Owners Association of Maine shall be chosen from lists of 3 individuals submitted by the respective organizations; and the members representing woodcutters and the public shall be chosen by the Governor in such manner as the Governor deems proper.

**Study. RESOLVED:** That the committee shall determine whether or not there is a need for legislation dealing with forest practices. The committee shall