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STATE OF MAINE

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A physician, upon notification by the Department of Human Services, shall report to the department any further information requested by the department concerning any person now or formerly under his care, diagnosed as having or having had an occupational disease.

No physician or hospital complying with the reporting requirements of this section may be liable for any civil damages as a result of those acts.

§1494. Confidentiality

The names and related information which may identify individuals having an occupational disease shall be confidential and may be released only to other public health officials, agents or agencies, or by court order or by written authorization of the individual being reported on. All other information submitted pursuant to this chapter may be made available to the public.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	<u>1985-86</u>	<u>1986-87</u>
<u>HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT</u>		
<u>OF</u>		
Bureau of Health		
Positions	(1/2)	(1/2)
Personal Services	\$ 5,196	\$ 7,205
All Other	6,000	8,000
Capital Expenditures	<u>3,400</u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL	\$14,596	\$15,205

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 453

H.P. 834 - L.D. 1178

AN ACT to Establish a Vehicle Rental Agency
in the Department of Conservation.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legisla-

ture do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Department of Conservation is developing a pilot vehicle rental project which would apply to other agencies of State Government; and

Whereas, this pilot project will be subject to a sunset provision of July 1, 1987, unless reenacted by the Legislature; and

Whereas, the results of the pilot rental project may be more easily calculated in accordance with the fiscal year of State Government; and

Whereas, the fiscal year begins on July 1, which occurs prior to the effective date of legislation enacted during the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature; 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:

12 MRSA c. 428-A is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 428-A

VEHICLE RENTAL AGENCY

§5031. Vehicle Rental Agency

A Vehicle Rental Agency is established in the Department of Conservation for the purpose of acquiring and maintaining vehicles for use by department employees on official state business.

1. Financial and organizational structure. The Vehicle Rental Agency shall rent or lease vehicles to programs on a flat rate or mileage basis. Revenues derived from these fees shall be used to replace and maintain vehicles; adequately staff the Vehicle Rental Agency; rent or lease-purchase required space; and otherwise provide for the general operation of the agency.

An Internal Services Fund shall be established for the Vehicle Rental Agency.

2. Start-up. The Vehicle Rental Agency shall be initially capitalized with a working capital advance from the General Fund.

3. Fee structure. Fees for the rental and lease of vehicles shall be calculated to provide reasonable vehicle replacement and operating costs, as well as sufficient working capital for the Vehicle Rental Agency. Any revenues over expenditures and needed working capital shall be used to reduce fees.

4. Initial fleet. The Commissioner of Conservation may transfer vehicles from existing department programs to the Vehicle Rental Agency.

5. Credits. The Vehicle Rental Agency shall develop a method of assigning appropriate credits to be used to reduce the charges for those programs from which vehicles are transferred to the Vehicle Rental Agency in accordance with subsection 4. These credits shall be calculated to both reasonably compensate the programs and at the same time assure adequate revenues to support the Vehicle Rental Agency.

6. Other departments. Other departments and agencies may lease or rent vehicles from the Vehicle Rental Agency, when vehicles are not required by the Department of Conservation.

The department or agency heads may enter into agreements with the Vehicle Rental Agency to provide regular and ongoing vehicle rental and lease services, and in doing so may transfer vehicles to the Vehicle Rental Agency. Credit shall be assigned to the department or agency in accordance with subsection 5.

The Vehicle Rental Agency may enter into a lease-purchase agreement for the purpose of acquiring suitable structures and grounds for the operation of the agency.

7. Working capital advance. The State Controller may advance to the Department of Conservation from the General Fund \$100,000 effective July 1, 1985, for a Vehicle Rental Agency. These funds shall be used to provide cash necessary to operate this program. The advance shall be repaid beginning with fiscal year 1988 at the rate of 10% per year.

§5032. Termination date

This chapter shall be repealed on July 1, 1987, unless reenacted by the Legislature. In the event that this chapter terminates on July 1, 1987, the

outstanding balance of the loan from the General Fund shall be repaid in whole or in part with the outstanding balance remaining in the Internal Services Fund.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect on July 1, 1985.

Effective July 1, 1985.

CHAPTER 454

H.P. 1079 - L.D. 1570

AN ACT Providing Funding for Repair,
Maintenance, Operation and Study of
the Dead River Dam.

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

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

	<u>1985-86</u>	<u>1986-87</u>
<u>AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF</u>		
Soil and Water Conservation Commission		
All Other	\$ 500	\$600
Funds appropriated will be matched with funds from the Town of Wayne and from private sources.		
All Other	1,000	
Provides funds for the commission to procure contractual services from a Hydro Geologist for the purpose of determining if the Dead River Dam is properly constructed and located.		