

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

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

Effective June 13, 1985.

CHAPTER 36

H.P. 582 - L.D. 852

Resolve, to Create a Special Commission
to Study the Utilization of Vacant
Buildings at Pineland Center.

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

Whereas, there presently exists a number of vacant buildings at Pineland Center; and

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the State to effectively use all of its existing resources; and

Whereas, existing public and private resources are not adequate to meet the needs and potential of the State's citizens; and

Whereas, the unused public buildings at Pineland Center may be a resource which could help meet those needs; and

Whereas, the members of the 112th Legislature find that a coordinated effort utilizing the resources and expertise of both the public and private sectors is necessary in addressing this problem to the benefit of all citizens of the State; 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

Commission established. Resolved: That a Special Commission to Study the Utilization of Vacant Buildings at Pineland Center be created. The commission shall consist of 13 members as follows: One member to the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speak-

er of the House of Representatives; one member of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate; the Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retardation or his designee; the Director of Public Improvements or his designee; 9 members appointed by the Governor, including one representative of the Board of Visitors, Pineland Center; one representative of the Consumer Advisory Board for the Mentally Retarded; one representative of Pineland Parents and Friends; one representative of the Maine State Employees Association; one representative of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; a representative from the Town of Gray; a representative from the Town of New Gloucester; a representative of the Bureau of Maine's Elderly; and a representative of the Maine State Housing Authority.

The members shall be appointed in a timely manner and the commission shall hold an organizational meeting at the call of the chairman of the Legislative Counsel within 30 days after the effective date of this resolve. At this meeting, the commission shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman from within the membership. Members who are not state employees shall receive expenses for meals and travel in accordance with Title 5, chapter 377; and be it further

Report. Resolved: That this select committee shall report its findings, together with any necessary legislation, to the Governor and the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature not later than January 10, 1986. This report shall:

1. Identify existing buildings at Pineland Center which are currently not used or not fully used for the present and future needs of the center;

2. Identify innovative approaches in this State and elsewhere which address similar building utilization; and

3. Develop a plan which identifies:

- A. Potential occupants who would use any space that is identified as valuable; and

- B. Recommendations for financing needed renovations of existing space, including a cost-benefit analysis for additional investment of state funds; and be it further

Staff support. Resolved: That the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and Bureau of

Public Improvements shall provide staff support to this commission.

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

Effective June 13, 1985.

CHAPTER 37

H.P. 1099 - L.D. 1607

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor to Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in Both the Unorganized Territory and the Municipalities of the State.

Sec. 1. State Tax Assessor authorized to convey real estate. Resolved: That the State Tax Assessor is authorized to convey by sale the interest of the State in real estate in the unorganized territory as noted in this section. The proceeds of the sales authorized by this section shall be credited to the Unorganized Territory Education and Services Fund. The sale, except as otherwise directed in this section, shall be made to the highest bidder, provided that:

1. Notice of the sale is published 3 times prior to the sale, once each week for 3 consecutive weeks in some newspaper in the county where the real estate lies; except, in those cases in which the sale is to be made to a specific individual or individuals as authorized in this section, in which case, no notice shall be published; and

2. No parcel may be sold for less than the amount as authorized in this section. In the event of identical high bids, that bid postmarked earliest shall be considered the highest bid.

In the event bids in the minimum amount as recommended in this section are not received after the notice, the State Tax Assessor may thereafter sell the property for not less than the minimum amount, without again asking for bids, provided that the property is sold on or before March 1, 1986.

The State Tax Assessor shall, upon receipt of