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CHAPTER 1

S.P. 18 - L.D. 2

AN ACT to Continue the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study the Regulation of Health Care Expenditures

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

Whereas, it is necessary to continue the life of the Commission to Study the Regulation of Health Care Expenditures beyond its reporting deadline of January 15, 1989; 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:

Sec. 1. PL 1987, c. 440, §8, is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read:

The commission shall continue to exist through the end of the First Regular Session of the 114th Legislature in order to meet with the Legislature to discuss issues relating to the recommendations made in its report.

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

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1988-89

Commission to Study the Regulation of Health Care Expenditures

Personal Services	\$ 8,365
All Other	1,635

Total

\$10,000

Provides funds to allow the commission to contract with outside consultants, specialists or other individuals as required and pay the expenses of the commission. This appropriation shall carry forward to June 30, 1989.

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

Effective December 16, 1988.

CHAPTER 2

H.P. 4 - L.D. 3

AN ACT to Clarify Eligibility for the STAR Program

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

Whereas, railroad and railway workers are eligible for the STAR program and are in need of its services, but Department of Labor rules make them ineligible; and

Whereas, there is an immediate need to overturn rules of the department that are contrary to legislative intent; 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:

26 MRSA §2015-A, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 775, §3, is amended to read:

2. Program goals. The purpose of this section is to establish an employment training program to provide unemployed or displaced workers with skills training and support which lead to jobs in stable and expanding industries, as well as support services so that individuals are able to take advantage of educational and training opportunities. A further purpose of the STAR program is to provide employers with trained workers by ensuring that the training provided is consistent with the needs of employers. <u>Unemployed or</u> <u>displaced railroad and railway workers who are residents of</u> the State shall be eligible to participate in the program if they otherwise meet program eligibility requirements.

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

Effective December 16, 1988.

CHAPTER 3

H.P. 13 - L.D. 5

AN ACT Regarding the Lease-Purchase of Computer Equipment

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

Whereas, Public Law 1987, chapter 68, section 10, became effective on April 17, 1987 and set the lease-purchase

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