

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE
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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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CHAPTER 102

H.P. 1680 - L.D. 2324

An Act to Provide Emergency Fuel Assistance

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

Whereas, supplemental funds are needed to provide emergency fuel assistance to Maine residents in this heating season; and

Whereas, supplemental funds are also needed to provide household heating system improvements; 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. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from the Stripper Well Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1989-90

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Division of Community Services

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program

All Other \$1,300,000

Provides funds to continue the Emergency Crisis Intervention Program, or ECIP, to assist low-income persons with emergency fuel purchases consistent with regulations of the federal Low-Income Heating Assistance Program.

Division of Community Services

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program

All Other \$400,000

Provides funds to be used in the Central Heating Improvement Program, or CHIP, for grants to repair or replace

dangerous, inefficient or inoperative heating systems for eligible low-income households.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

TOTAL \$1,700,000

Sec. 2. Allowance for state administrative purposes. An allowance for the use of funds allotted in this Act, not to exceed 5% of the funds allocated to each program, is available under this Act.

Sec. 3. Unexpended balances carried forward. Any unexpended balances of allocations made in this Act may not lapse on June 30, 1990, but must be carried forward to be used to increase benefit levels in the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program in fiscal year 1990-91.

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

Effective February 23, 1990.

CHAPTER 103

H.P. 1334 - L.D. 1851

An Act to Amend the Berwick Sewer District Charter

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

P&SL 1963, c. 154, §5 is amended to read:

Sec. 5. Offenses and penalties. Any person who shall place, discharge or leave any offensive or injurious matter or material on or in the conduits, catch basins or receptacles of said district contrary to its rules or regulations, or shall willfully injure any conduit, pipe, reservoir, flush tank, catch basin, manhole, outlet, engine, pump or other property held, owned or used by said district for the purposes of this act shall be liable to pay twice the amount of the damages to said district, to be recovered in any proper action; and ~~such~~ any person on conviction of either of the acts of willful injury aforesaid shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ~~\$200~~ \$1,000 per day for each day in violation of the standards and requirements and by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or by both.

Any industrial user who violates the pretreatment standards and requirements of the district shall be subject to a fine of \$1,000 per day for each day the industrial user is in violation of such standards and requirements. The district may seek injunctive relief to ensure compliance with the terms of its pretreatment standards and require-