

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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RESOLVES
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Maine State Retirement	125,000
Workers' Compensation	90,000
2040 - County Copiers	
Contractual Services	10,000
2045 - Program Grants	
Contractual Services:	
Aroostook Community Action Program	5,000
Regional Planning Commission	12,000
No funding may be provided to the Northern Maine Regional Planning Commission until the commission complies with the Attorney General's opinion dated June 9, 1988, in relation to the makeup of the commission's Executive Board of Directors.	
Aroostook Mental Health	40,000
Aroostook County Homemakers	7,350
Aroostook Area Agency on Aging	7,350
Northern Aroostook Association	2,520
St. John Valley Association	7,350
Powell Memorial Center	7,350
Northern Aroostook Alternatives	5,250
Central Aroostook Association	11,550
Southern Aroostook Association	10,500
Green Valley Association	5,880
Northern Maine Regional Airport	50,000
2050 - County Insurance	
Contractual Services	120,500
2075 - Capital Reserve	
Contractual Services	30,000
2076 - Jail Planning	
Contractual Services	28,000
2080 - Contingent	
Contractual Services	10,000
2090 - Miscellaneous	
Contractual Services	1,000
2092 - Personnel Negotiations	
Contractual Services	8,000
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$3,419,298</u>

Total Appropriations	\$3,419,298
Available Credits:	
Estimated Revenue	\$617,500
Federal Revenue Sharing	2,825
Surplus Transfer	<u>150,000</u>
Total Available Credits	770,325
Total	<u>2,648,973</u>
Additional 2% Overlay	52,159
Amount to be raised by taxation	<u>\$2,701,132</u>

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

Effective May 26, 1989.

CHAPTER 21

S.P. 62 - L.D. 45

Resolve, to Request the Department of Corrections to Undertake a Probation Systems Management Study

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

Whereas, this study needs to begin immediately to determine appropriate probation strategies for effective long-range management of Maine's offender population; 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

Sec. 1. Internal review requested. Resolved: That the Department of Corrections, Division of Probation and Parole shall undertake a thorough review of Maine's probation and parole system; and be it further

Sec. 2. Issues needing review. Resolved: That the issues reviewed shall include the following:

1. Information systems including data collection, offender tracking, program evaluation and management and policy decision making;
2. Program evaluation including investment strategies and quality control;

Sec. 3. Summary. Resolved: That the figures appearing in this resolve represent the total amount of taxes and the total specific expenditures authorized for the calendar year 1989. The following is a summary of revenues and appropriations:

; and be it further

3. Offender-based tracking;
4. Training for probation and parole officers concerning management direction and the allocation of resources;
5. Planning strategy including previous problems with traditional master plans;
6. Presentence investigations including a thorough review of the state court system;
7. Classification and case load management and their impact on areas of sentencing, supervision and initial placement;
8. Staff ratios encompassing analyses of case load versus work load ratios and supervisory ratios;
9. The management and development of intermediate sanctions; and
10. A thorough analysis of offender placement decisions, and how they relate to the amount of prison and program space available; and be it further

Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That the department shall present its findings, together with any recommended legislation, to the Joint Select Committee on Corrections during the Second Regular Session of the 114th Legislature by February 15, 1990.

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

Effective June 2, 1989.

CHAPTER 22

S.P. 369 - L.D. 993

Resolve, Directing Various Agencies of State Government to Assess their Policies Regarding Learning Disabilities

Preamble. Whereas, the 112th Legislature in 1985, reacting to concerns that the State's thousands of learning disabled children and adolescents were not being properly identified and appropriately served by the educational system, created a joint select committee to study the problem; and

Whereas, the Joint Select Committee for Learning Disabled Children, consisting of a diverse group of members, after a year and 6 months of study issued its final report to the 113th Legislature in December 1986; and

Whereas, that report contained 33 recommendations directed at the Department of Educational and Cul-

tural Services, the University of Maine System, the State Board of Education, other elements of State Government and local school units; and

Whereas, the joint select committee identified serious areas of concern related to the training and certification of teachers in the area of learning disabilities, identification and evaluation of learning disabled children and adolescents and the provision of services for learning disabled children and adolescents; and

Whereas, no formal mechanism exists to monitor the implementation of the joint select committee's recommendations; now, therefore, be it

Status of learning disabilities study. Resolved: That the Department of Educational and Cultural Services, the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System and the State Board of Education are directed to conduct a comprehensive review of the final report of the Joint Select Committee for Learning Disabled Children and prepare a report to the Legislature on the implementation of the report's recommendations; and be it further

Department of Educational and Cultural Services review. Resolved: That the Department of Educational and Cultural Services is responsible for reviewing the report's recommendations pertaining to local school administrative units and reporting on the implementation of those recommendations; and be it further

University of Maine System review. Resolved: That the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System is responsible for reviewing the report's recommendations pertaining to private post-secondary educational institutions and reporting on the implementation of those recommendations; and be it further

Report. Resolved: That the Department of Educational and Cultural Services, the University of Maine System and the State Board of Education coordinate the results of their reviews and present their consolidated report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education by December 1, 1989; and be it further

Joint Standing Committee on Education. Resolved: That the Joint Standing Committee on Education review the report and is authorized to introduce appropriate legislation for consideration by the Second Regular Session of the 114th Legislature.

See title page for effective date.