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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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tion must be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the municipal officers of the town are not required to prepare for posting, nor the town clerk to post, a new list of voters and, for the purpose of registration of voters, the board of voter registration must be in session on the secular day next preceding the special election. The town clerk of the town shall prepare the required ballots, on which the town clerk shall reduce the subject matter of this Act to the following question:

"Shall the charter that created the Ogunquit Sewer District be amended to increase the total authorized indebtedness of the district from \$4,000,000 to \$7,000,000?"

The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This Act takes effect immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election.

The result of the vote must be declared by the municipal officers of the Town of Ogunquit and due certificate thereof must be filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective pending referendum.

CHAPTER 23

H.P. 1297 - L.D. 1877

An Act Regarding the Ministerial and Grammar School Fund of Turner

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

- Sec. 1. Mass. Laws of 1802, c. 55, §7 is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
- Sec. 7. Be it further enacted, That money derived from the sales of the ministerial and grammar school lands shall be invested in public funded securities, in bank stocks of institutions operating primarily within the United States or invested in high quality securities in accordance with the investment practices that an ordinarily prudent person would use under similar circumstances.
- Sec. 2. Mass. Laws of 1802, c. 55, §8 is amended to read:
- Sec. 8. Be it further enacted, That the interest arising from time to time on such monies money, shall be annually, or oftener if practicable, put out at interest, and secured in manner aforesaid, unless invested in the funds or bank stock as aforesaid, and also the interest accruing from the interest, until until a fund shall be

accumulated on the sale of the ministerial lands and the interest arising thereon, which shall yield yearly the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars \$350, and until until a fund shall be accumulated on the sale of school lands, and the interest arising thereon which shall yield yearly the sum of two hundred dollars \$200.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 24

H.P. 762 - L.D. 1096

An Act to Improve Services to At-risk, Pregnant and Parenting Teens

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

- Sec. 1. Medicaid services for pregnant and parenting teens. The Department of Human Services shall develop a plan to maximize Medicaid funding for targeted case management for pregnant and parenting teenagers. Case management must include social and medical services. The Bureau of Child and Family Services is primarily responsible for the plan, which must be developed jointly with the Bureau of Health and the Bureau of Income Maintenance. The plan must address Medicaid maximization and coordination among bureaus of targeted case management services for pregnant and parenting teenagers. The Department of Human Services shall adopt rules as needed to implement the plan.
- Sec. 2. Other services for pregnant and parenting teens. To the extent that funding permits, the Bureau of Health and the Bureau of Child and Family Services shall maintain their level of effort on January 1, 1991 for services to pregnant and parenting teenagers and shall target those services to persons who are not eligible for Medicaid.
- Sec. 3. Child care for teen parents. The Department of Human Services shall ensure to the extent possible under federal law that infant day care vouchers are made available for eligible teenage parents.
- **Sec. 4.** Allocation. The following funds are allocated from Federal Expenditures to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Medical Care - Payments to Providers

All Other \$167,881 \$159,471

Provides for the allocation of federal matching funds for

case management services for pregnant and parenting teens.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 25

H.P. 473 - L.D. 667

An Act to Require the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to Evaluate the Financial and Staff Resources Necessary to Assume Responsibility for Certain Provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act

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

State assumption of federal water pollution control authority. The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall prepare an analysis of the financial and staff resources necessary for the Department of Environmental Protection to successfully seek approval from the federal Environmental Protection Agency to administer a state National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System program. The commissioner shall submit the analysis along with recommendations for any necessary funding mechanisms to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources no later than February 1, 1992 for review.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 26

H.P. 1077 - L.D. 1571

An Act Relating to Level I and Level II Educational Technicians

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

Whereas, recent changes in Maine State Retirement System and educator certification laws and rules have created confusion and inequity in the treatment, for employment and retirement purposes, of a class of public school employees commonly known as teacher aides; and

Whereas, immediate enactment of legislation is necessary to clarify the confusion and inequity surrounding the employment and retirement status of these employees; 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 legisla-

tion 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. Retirement coverage for certain teacher aides. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law or rule, any person employed in a position formerly known as teacher aide who does not meet the applicable standards for educational preparation for level II or level III educational technicians, contained in State Board Rule 115, Part I, sections 14.2(b) and 14.3(b), and who is promoted to a level II or level III educational technician prior to September 1, 1991, retains retirement coverage by the retirement system or plan under which that person was covered at the time of promotion. Any person covered by this section who later satisfies the educational preparation requirements for level II or level III educational technicians, must be considered a teacher as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 17001, subsection 42. Any person hired or promoted as a level II or level III educational technician on or after September 1, 1991 is subject to the provisions of Title 5, Part 20.

Sec. 2. Professional qualifications of teacher aides performing the job of level II or level III education technicians prior to 1991. Any person employed in a position formerly known as a teacher aide or teacher assistant who is promoted by a school administrative unit prior to September 1, 1991, to a level II or level III educational technician whose job function at the time of promotion was that of a level II or level III educational technician, as described in State Board Rule 115, Part I, section 14.2 (a) or 14.3 (a), need not meet the educational preparation standards for those positions set forth in board rule sections 14.2 (b) and 14.3 (b) respectively to be assigned the title of educational technician II or educational technician III. Any person hired or promoted to a level I, II or III educational technician on or after September 1, 1991 must meet educational preparation requirements for that position.

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

Effective June 20, 1991.

CHAPTER 27

H.P. 1268 - L.D. 1839

An Act to Extend Certain Income Tax Benefits to Individuals Participating in Operation Desert Shield or Operation Desert Storm

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