

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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RESOLVES
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED AT THE
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1991

Commodities	79,600
Capital Expenditures	1,000
1060 - Radio Communication Center	
Personal Services	129,973
Contractual Services	20,433
Commodities	1,000
1065 - Register of Deeds - West	
Personal Services	30,284
Contractual Services	6,050
Commodities	4,550
Capital Expenditures	7,500
1066 - Register of Deeds - East	
Personal Services	50,082
Contractual Services	53,825
Commodities	3,300
Capital Expenditures	7,000
1070 - Register of Probate	
Personal Services	59,865
Contractual Services	10,000
Commodities	4,800
Capital Expenditures	4,000
1075 - Sheriff	
Personal Services	304,522
Contractual Services	104,978
Commodities	20,500
Capital Expenditures	49,000
1090 - Auditing	
Contractual Services	6,000
2000 - Interest	
Contractual Services	50,000
2005 - Extension Service	
Contractual Services	66,780
2010 - Soil and Water Conservation	
Contractual Services	16,000
2011 - Threshold to Maine	
Contractual Services	600
2012 - Western Maine Transportation Service	
Contractual Services	10,000
2013 - Northern Oxford Task Economic Development	
Contractual Services	5,000
2025 - Employee Benefits	
Contractual Services:	
Social Security	91,162
Maine State Retirement	73,024
Group Insurance	187,034
Workers' Compensation	67,027

2060 - Oxford County Regional Airport - Maintenance	
Contractual Services	28,000
2075 - Capital Reserve	
Roads	75,000
Bridges	36,000
Airport	20,000
2080 - Contingent Account	
Contractual Services	20,000
2090 - Miscellaneous	
Contractual Services	<u>7,000</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$2,566,240

; and be it further

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 1991. The following is a summary of revenues and appropriations:

Total Appropriations		\$2,566,240
Available Credits:		
Estimated Revenue	\$459,066	
Total Available Credits		<u>459,066</u>
Amount to be raised by taxation		\$2,107,174

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

Effective June 20, 1991.

CHAPTER 19

H.P. 1228 - L.D. 1792

Resolve, to Postpone the Adoption and Implementation of the BOCA Plumbing Code by the State

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

Whereas, the plumbing code issued by the Building Officials Conference of America, BOCA, is due to be implemented on July 1, 1991; and

Whereas, many plumbing professionals have expressed dissatisfaction with the input afforded them in this situation; and

Whereas, implementation of the code would pose a hardship on homeowners and builders and great expense for 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

Sec. 1. Postponement of plumbing code. Resolved: That the Department of Human Services shall postpone the implementation of the BOCA Plumbing Code or any other nationally recognized plumbing code until February 1, 1992; and be it further

Sec. 2. Public hearings. Resolved: That the Department of Human Services shall hold public hearings concerning the BOCA code that it proposes to adopt; and be it further

Sec. 3. Report to the Legislature. Resolved: That by January 1, 1992 the Department of Human Services in consultation with the Plumbers' Examining Board shall report its recommendations concerning a plumbing code together with its rationale to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over business legislation matters; and be it further

Sec. 4. Report requirements. Resolved: That this report shall include, but not be limited to, a detailed comparison of the present code and the recommended one in terms of requirements and financial impact, the experience of other New England states that have adopted a national code, a detailing of the enforcement authority and responsibility of the State Plumbing Inspector, local plumbing inspectors and the Plumbers' Examining Board and a distillation of the questions asked at the public hearings and the department's response to them; and be it further

Sec. 5. Allocation. Resolved: That the following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1991-92

HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Control Over Plumbing

All Other \$1,500

Provides for an allocation of funds for costs related to rulemaking, hearings, printing and developing the report concerning a plumbing code.

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

Effective June 20, 1991.

CHAPTER 20

H.P. 1335 - L.D. 1928

Resolve, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Franklin County for the Year 1991

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

Whereas, Franklin County has certain expenses and liabilities that must be met as they become due; and

Whereas, it is necessary that the taxes for the year 1991 mentioned be immediately assessed in order to provide the required revenue for the county; 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. Franklin County; taxes apportioned. Resolved: That the following sum is granted as a tax on Franklin County to be apportioned, assessed, collected and applied to the purposes of paying debts and necessary expenses of the county as authorized in this resolve, and for other purposes of law, for the calendar year 1991:

1991 TAX

\$1,744,700

; and be it further

Sec. 2. General Fund expenditures authorized. Resolved: That the following sums, based on the county budget filed in the office of the Secretary of State, are authorized as General Fund expenditures by the county during the calendar year 1991, in the specific total amounts of expenditures for personal services, contractual services, commodities and capital expenditures for each account in the county budget:

**APPROPRIATION
ACCOUNT NUMBER**

APPROPRIATIONS

1005 - Superior Court Contractual Services \$7,400