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method of allocation is effective only for notes or bonds issued after the date the change is approved by the inhabitants of the district.

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

Effective March 23, 1993.

CHAPTER 12

H.P. 241 - L.D. 320

An Act to Extend the Reporting Date of the Task Force on Mental Health Education and Licensure

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

Whereas, the reporting deadline of the Task Force on Mental Health Education and Licensure is February 1, 1993; and

Whereas, the task force requires additional time to complete its work and the deadline must be extended; and

Whereas, this extension must occur before the expiration of the 90-day period; 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 1991, c. 781, Pt. B, §2, 2nd ¶, last sentence is amended to read:

The task force shall convene no later than August 1, 1992 and issue its final report, with statutory recommendations, no later than February May 1, 1993 to the Governor, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over human resources matters and the advisory boards and commissions with jurisdiction over substance abuse and mental health.

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

Effective March 23, 1993.

CHAPTER 13

S.P. 251 - L.D. 770

An Act to Amend the Confidentiality Provisions of the Maine Juvenile Code

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

Whereas, Medicaid funds for services to juveniles served by the Department of Corrections may not be made available unless the Department of Corrections is permitted to provide presently confidential information to the Department of Human Services; 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. 34-A MRSA §3003, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1991, c. 314, §27, is further amended to read:

1. Limited disclosure. All orders of commitment, medical and administrative records, applications and reports, and facts contained in them, pertaining to any person receiving services from the department, must be kept confidential and may not be disclosed by any person, except that criminal history record information may be disseminated in accordance with Title 16, chapter 3, subchapter VIII, and documents, other than those documents pertaining to information obtained by the department for the purpose of evaluating a client's ability to participate in a community-based program or from informants in a correctional or detention facility for the purpose of determining whether facility rules have been violated, or a victim's request for notice of release, may be disclosed:

A. To any person, if the person receiving services, that person's legal guardian, if any, or, if that person is a minor, that person's parent or legal guardian, gives informed written consent to the disclosure of the documents referred to in this subsection after being given the opportunity to review the documents sought to be disclosed;

- B. To any state agency if necessary to carry out the statutory functions of that agency;
- C. If ordered by a court of record, subject to any limitation in the Maine Rules of Evidence, Rule 503; and