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STATE OF MAINE

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PUBLIC LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED AT THE
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1993

All Other	107,059	88,969
Provides funds for a Driver License Examiner II position, 2 Driver License Examiner I positions, a Clerk IV position, 2 Clerk Typist III positions, a Clerk III position, 11 Clerk Typist II positions and general operating expenses to carry out the Single Point Contact Program.		

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE		
TOTAL	\$651,546	\$634,186
TOTAL ALLOCATIONS	\$3,183,576	\$3,159,959

Sec. 4. Adjustments to allocations. Allocations may be increased or adjusted by the State Budget Officer, with the approval of the Governor, to specifically cover those adjustments determined to be necessary under any salary plan approved by the Legislature, and those reclassifications or range changes that have been approved by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services and submitted for legislative review prior to the effective date of this Act.

Sec. 5. Revenue estimates. The State Budget Officer is responsible for the consolidation of revenue estimates for the Transportation Safety Fund. The Secretary of State and the Department of Public Safety are responsible for providing the State Budget Officer with all necessary current information required to prepare revenue estimates.

Sec. 6. Encumbered balance at year end. At the end of each fiscal year, all encumbered balances may not be carried more than once.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect July 1, 1993.

Effective July 1, 1993.

CHAPTER 289

H.P. 1043 - L.D. 1395

An Act Concerning Renewals of Valid Concealed Weapons Permits

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

Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2003, sub-§8, as amended by PL 1991, c. 865, §3, is further amended to read:

8. Term of permit. All concealed firearm permits are valid for 4 years from the date of issue, unless sooner

revoked for cause by the issuing authority. If a permit renewal is issued before the expiration date of the permit being renewed or within 6 months of the expiration date of the permit being renewed, the permit renewal is valid for 4 years from the expiration date of the permit being renewed.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 290

S.P. 209 - L.D. 680

An Act to Enhance the Role of the State Board of Education

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

Whereas, the Legislature believes that it is the responsibility of the State to provide an education that will help all children in the State develop the knowledge and skills they need to become productive and fulfilled members of society; and

Whereas, our children will face a world that is increasingly complex and competitive in the areas of family, community, government, stewardship and employment; and

Whereas, the Legislature finds that tomorrow's challenges demand that we make significant changes for our children today, including the development of an education system structured to keep up with the rapidly changing world; and

Whereas, the Legislature believes that an education system based on learning results to be accomplished will provide greater and more equal opportunities for children in this State to prepare themselves for the challenges they will face as adults; and

Whereas, this legislation establishes a task force to develop goals and a plan for an education system based on student achievement; 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. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§3, ¶O, as amended by PL 1989, c. 698, §11 and affected by §76, is further amended to read:

O. Recommend funds to the Bureau of the Budget for equalization of educational opportunity; and

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§3, ¶Q, as amended by PL 1985, c. 797, §10, is further amended to read:

Q. Serve as state agency for administering federal funds for construction of school facilities and for vocational education: ; and

Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§3, ¶S is enacted to read:

S. Develop long-range education goals and standards for school performance and student performance to improve learning results and recommend to the commissioner and to the Legislature a plan for achieving those goals and standards.

Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read:

6. Recommendations to Legislature. The state board shall recommend to the Legislature any new legislation or amendments to existing legislation for the efficient conduct of the public schools and for achieving the education and performance goals and standards and the plan for the public schools developed in accordance with subsection 3, paragraph S.

Sec. 5. Task force established. The Task Force on Learning Results, referred to in this legislation as the "task force," is established to assist the State Board of Education in performing the duties set forth in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 405, subsection 3, paragraph S.

Sec. 6. Task force membership. The task force consists of 15 to 20 members, broadly representative of the regions and citizens of the State, appointed by the State Board of Education in consultation with the Joint Standing Committee on Education. The chair of the state board shall serve as chair of the task force.

Sec. 7. Duties. The task force shall:

1. Develop goals and a 5-year plan for an education system based on learning achievements; and
2. Develop criteria for student learning derived from the standards established by the State's common core of learning upon which students and schools will be evaluated.

The task force shall establish 2 subcommittees to carry out the duties described in this section.

Sec. 8. Report. The task force shall present its report on the goals and the 5-year plan to the State Board

of Education by February 1, 1994. The state board shall present the report, together with any recommended legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Education by February 15, 1994.

The task force shall also present a preliminary progress report on the development of standards for student achievement to the state board, which shall present the report and any other findings to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters by December 1, 1994. The task force shall present its findings on standards for student achievement to the State Board of Education, which shall present the report, together with any recommended legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters by March 1, 1996.

Sec. 9. Staff assistance. The task force may receive staff and professional assistance from the Department of Education, the Maine Technical College System, the University of Maine System, the Maine Coalition for Excellence in Education, the Maine Teachers Association, the Maine School Management Association, the Maine Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Legislative Council and other sources.

Sec. 10. Funding; compensation. Interested persons and organizations may provide outside sources of funding to finance the activities of the task force. The Legislative Council shall administer outside funds acquired for the conduct of the task force. Expenditures may not be incurred that have an impact on the General Fund. Expenditures may not be incurred relative to the task force until the funding from outside sources has been received by the Legislative Council. Members of the task force are entitled to expenses from that funding upon application to the Executive Director of the Legislative Council.

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

Effective June 8, 1993.

CHAPTER 291

S.P. 198 - L.D. 634

An Act to Extend the Repeal Date of the Laws Governing Biosynthetic Bovine Somatotropin

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

Whereas, the laws restricting the use or administration of biosynthetic bovine somatotropin, known as BST, will be repealed on February 1, 1993; and