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under the age of 18 to purchase cigarettes in this State. (22 M.R.S.A. §1579)"; and

(3) That is in a location that is at all times under direct supervision of an adult during the hours the machine is accessible.

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CHAPTER 407

H.P. 978 - L.D. 1309

An Act to Authorize Sagadahoc County to Provide Centralized Administrative Services to Those Sagadahoc County Municipalities That Desire to Share the Cost of Those Services

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

Sec. 1. 30-A M.R.S.A. c. 12 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 12

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

§1401. Provision of services to municipalities

A county may choose to provide centralized administrative services to municipalities within that county by a majority vote of the county commissioners. If a choice to provide centralized administrative services is made, the county shall provide those services pursuant to this chapter.

§1402. Public hearings

The county commissioners may hold public meetings, after at least 2 weeks' but not more than 4 weeks' public notice, of all interested municipal officers, town managers, planning board members and other municipal officials and members of the public to determine what services municipalities are unable to provide in a cost-effective manner and which municipalities desire the provision of centralized administrative services.

§1403. Plan for administrative services

When a service that may be more effectively provided by the county on a centralized basis is identified, the county commissioners shall appoint a committee consisting of not less than one member from each interested municipality and one county commissioner to study and determine the feasibility of providing service on a centralized basis. The committee shall solicit letters of intent from each municipality that desires to participate in a plan for the provision of centralized administrative services and shall develop the plan. The county commissioners may accept or reject the plan.

§1404. Operating agreement

When there is an approved plan, the county commissioners may employ needed qualified personnel, purchase any required furniture, fixtures and equipment and provide or obtain suitable quarters on the condition that the participating municipalities enter into a binding agreement to share the cost. The agreement must cover all operating costs and be for a term sufficient to recover any capital investments made by the county.

§1405. Additional municipalities

Municipalities that are not parties to an operating agreement at the time the agreement is made may join the operating agreement under terms agreed to by the county commissioners and a majority of the original participating municipalities and at a cost not to exceed that of the original participating municipalities by more than 5%.

§1406. Tax increases prohibited

The cost or any portion of the cost of providing centralized administrative services to participating municipalities may not be assessed to a nonparticipating municipality as a part of the county tax.

§1407. Penalties

If a participating municipality fails, after 30 days' notice, to meet any financial obligation required by an operating agreement, the amount of the obligation becomes a penalty, which must be added to the county tax and be assessed to that municipality.

§1408. Eligible counties

The following counties are eligible to provide centralized administrative services pursuant to this chapter:

1. Sagadahoc County. Sagadahoc County.

§1409. Repeal

This chapter is repealed on July 1, 1995.

Sec. 2. County commissioner recommendations. The county commissioners of a county exercising the eligibility to adopt cooperative plans to provide centralized administrative services under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 1408 shall submit recommendations by January 1, 1995 to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government matters on whether the Legislature should extend authorization of Title 30-A, chapter 12.

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