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PUBLIC LAWS

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1993

1993-94

PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

State Police

Positions	(0.5)
Personal Services	\$14,128
All Other	3,000

Provides funds in fiscal year 1993-94 for a part-time Clerk Typist II position and general operating expenses to collect and disseminate information as part of the Missing Children Information Clearinghouse.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TOTAL \$17,128

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

Effective July 13, 1993.

CHAPTER 426

S.P. 41 - L.D. 53

An Act to Improve Access to Maine's Veterans' Homes

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

Whereas, the Maine Veterans' Home and the Department of Human Services are in the process of obtaining federal funds and determining the need for and location of additional veterans' homes; and

Whereas, a change in the implementing law is necessary to permit greater geographic diversity in the location of veterans' homes; and

Whereas, this change must be effective sooner than 90 days after this legislative session in order to be taken into consideration during the approval process; 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. 37-B MRSA §601, as amended by PL 1991, c. 702, §1, is further amended to read:

§601. Home established; purpose

There must be public homes for veterans in Maine known as "Maine Veterans' Homes." In addition to the presently existing home located in Augusta, a 120-bed home located in southern Maine, a home, not to exceed 60 beds: located in Aroostook County, a home located in eastern Maine Bangor not to exceed 120 beds and a home located in western Maine South Paris not to exceed 120 90 beds may be constructed if federal Veterans' Administration funds are available to meet part of the costs of each facility for construction or operation. In addition, a home located in Machias not to exceed 60 beds may be constructed if federal Veterans' Administration funds or funds from any other state, federal or private source are available to meet part of the costs of the facility for construction or operation, except that the Machias home may not begin operation prior to July 1, 1995 and the construction and funding of the Machias home may not in any way jeopardize the construction, funding or financial viability of any other home. The board of trustees shall plan and develop these additional homes and may use any funds available for those purposes, except for the Augusta facility's funded depreciation account. The primary purpose of the homes is to provide support and care for honorably discharged veterans who served in the United States Armed Forces during wartime, including the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam War.

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

Effective July 13, 1993.

CHAPTER 427

H.P. 787 - L.D. 1060

An Act Concerning Rights and Privileges for Maine Veterans of the Persian Gulf War

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §7054, sub-§1, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 785, Pt. B, §38, is amended to read:

D. "War, campaign or expedition" means any of the following periods:

- (1) April 6, 1917; to November 10, 1918;
- (2) December 7, 1941; to September 1, 1945;
- (3) June 27, 1950; to January 31, 1955; and