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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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authorized for the calendar year 1994. The following is a summary of revenues and appropriations:

Total Appropriations \$1,963,368 Overlay 6,178

Available Credits:

Estimated Revenue \$474,743 Community Corrections 50,000 Surplus Transfer 60,000 Total Available Credits

584,743

Amount to be Raised by Taxation

\$1,384,803

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

Effective March 9, 1994.

CHAPTER 50

S.P. 677 - L.D. 1857

Resolve, Authorizing the Direct Purchase of the Desk, Chair and Credenza Used by John L. Martin as Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sec. 1. Purchase authorized. Resolved: That the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall offer for sale and Representative John L. Martin may purchase, at fair market value, the desk, chair and credenza that John L. Martin has used in his office as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 51

H.P. 1224 - L.D. 1643

Resolve, to Simplify the Schedule of Fees for Licenses Issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Sec. 1. Simplification of licenses and fees. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall prepare a proposal to computerize and to simplify the schedule of the licenses and fees administered by the department by combining licenses, eliminating stamps and using other means to reduce substantially the number of different licenses now sold; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall submit draft legislation to the Legislature by January 1, 1995 that would implement the proposed computerized and simplified license and fee schedule developed under section 1.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 52

H.P. 1256 - L.D. 1683

Resolve, Regarding the Development of a Medicare Volume Performance Standard Demonstration Project

- **Sec. 1. Medicare demonstration project. Resolved:** That the Maine Medical Assessment Foundation is authorized to participate in a demonstration project to establish a Medicare performance standard for the State, to be known as the Maine Medicare Volume Performance Standard Demonstration Project.
- 1. Waiver request. The Department of Human Services shall request that the federal Department of Health and Human Services, Health Care Financing Administration grant a waiver for the purpose of establishing the Maine Medicare Volume Performance Standard Demonstration Project to release physicians in the State from participation under the current Medicare volume performance standard methodology and to substitute a state-level volume performance standard and methodology on a demonstration basis.
- Under the project estab-2. Project design. lished under this section, practice and utilization pattern statistics for participating physicians in the State must be separated from the national statistics, the annual volume response of those physicians must be calculated for each year and Medicare fees for the following year must be calculated utilizing the federal default conversion factor formula. Maine Medical Assessment Foundation study groups must be convened and members must represent 80% or more of the conditions and procedures utilized by Medicare beneficiaries, including gastroenterology, cardiology, internal medicine, family practice, general surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, ophthalmology, orthopaedics, urology and radiology.
- **3.** Administrative committee. The Maine Medicare Volume Performance Standard Demonstration Project shall have an administrative committee to oversee the project, document the methodology of the project, collect data, disseminate information to the study groups and evaluate the project.