

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4**

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**J.S. McCarthy Company**  
**Augusta, Maine**  
**1995**

expenses, upon application to the Executive Director of the Legislative Council; and be it further

**Sec. 8. Report. Resolved:** That the council shall produce a written report of its success in accomplishing its task of overseeing the implementation of the recommendations of the Commission to Study the Future of Maine's Paper Industry and shall submit the written report and an oral report to the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development.

The council shall submit its reports no later than February 15, 1996 and, no later than the adjournment date of each session of the Legislature, shall determine whether to continue its activities for the next year; and be it further

**Sec. 9. Budget. Resolved:** That the Department of Economic and Community Development shall administer the council's budget; and be it further

**Sec. 10. Funding. Resolved:** That the council may seek, accept and expend public and private funding to support its activities.

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

Effective May 31, 1995.

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## CHAPTER 17

### S.P. 378 - L.D. 1055

#### Resolve, Requiring a Study of the State's Export Financing Services

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

**Whereas,** a key to economic development in this State, more so than in most states, lies in access to global markets; and

**Whereas,** studies have shown that on a national basis it is small businesses that are least apt to take advantage of export financing assistance and Maine is a state of small businesses; and

**Whereas,** it is important to identify any gaps or weaknesses and build upon any strengths in the current export financing programs available to Maine firms; and

**Whereas,** it is important to identify and correct any weaknesses in the State's current export financing program; 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

**Sec. 1. Study required. Resolved:** That the Maine World Trade Association, referred to in this resolve as the "association," shall organize and staff a study group whose purposes are to review the export financing programs and services provided to businesses in Maine and make recommendations for their improvement or expansion; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Study members. Resolved:** That the study group must include, but not be limited to, representatives of organizations offering the export financing programs and services and businesses that seek to use them. The majority of the group must be comprised of representatives of private businesses; and be it further

**Sec. 3. Programs to be studied. Resolved:** That the study group shall research the existing export finance programs in Maine, including, but not limited to, those offered by the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Finance Authority of Maine, the Small Business Administration and the Export-Import Bank of the United States; and be it further

**Sec. 4. User survey. Resolved:** That the study group shall survey banks and businesses, particularly small businesses, to determine their awareness and use of the currently available export financing programs and services; and be it further

**Sec. 5. Reporting date. Resolved:** That the study group shall submit a written report of its findings and recommendations, together with any implementing legislation on how to improve the availability of, and access to, export finance programs in Maine, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over business and economic development matters by January 1, 1996 and shall make an oral report to that committee by February 1, 1996.

The written report must include numerical objectives, costs and an evaluation plan for the program presented. It must also include a provision for assigning and enforcing accountability for those who may receive state funds as part of the program. The report must prioritize the recommended programs within the State's overall economic development goals

and strategy, as determined by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development.

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

Effective June 9, 1995.

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## CHAPTER 18

H.P. 1030 - L.D. 1449

### Resolve, Authorizing the Town of Dennysville to Transfer a Certain Parcel of Property

**Preamble.** Whereas, the 109th Legislature in 1979 authorized the Director of the Bureau of Public Lands to transfer to the Town of Dennysville a parcel of land and the structure on that land located in the unorganized township of Edmunds, Washington County; and

**Whereas,** Resolve 1979, chapter 1, which authorized the transfer, imposed a condition that, if the unorganized township of Edmunds became organized as a plantation or town, the Town of Dennysville was required to transfer the property to the Municipality of Edmunds; and

**Whereas,** the unorganized township of Edmunds has not become organized; and

**Whereas,** the Town of Dennysville desires to sell the property but is hindered in doing so because of the requirement of the conditional transfer to Edmunds; now, therefore, be it

**Sec. 1. Resolve 1979, c. 1, last ¶, amended. Resolved:** That Resolve 1979, c. 1, last ¶ is amended to read:

**Resolved:** That the director is authorized to convey the above described property and improvements to the property to the Town of Dennysville for the sum of \$1 on the condition that it be retained by the Town of Dennysville and used exclusively for public purposes and on the further condition that in the event the presently unorganized township of Edmunds should, as an individual township, hereafter become organized as a plantation or incorporated as a town, then the Town of Dennysville shall, promptly upon request by the Municipality of Edmunds, convey the property to the Municipality of Edmunds for an amount of money equal to all tax revenues spent by the Town of Dennysville to improve the property after May 1, 1978, to the date of such conveyance, to be retained

~~by the Municipality of Edmunds and used exclusively for public purposes.~~

See title page for effective date.

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## CHAPTER 19

S.P. 361 - L.D. 987

### Resolve, Renaming a Cove in the Town of Friendship

**Sec. 1. Bradford Point. Resolved:** That the cove located in the Town of Friendship, just north of Garrison Island, is officially named Bradford Point.

See title page for effective date.

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## CHAPTER 20

H.P. 809 - L.D. 1126

### Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Recreation to Sell Land and Improvements on Hospital Street in Augusta, Maine Known as the Trial House

**Preamble.** Whereas, in 1993, Maine voters approved a constitutional amendment requiring that state park land not be reduced or its uses substantially altered except on the vote of 2/3 of all the members elected to each House; and

**Whereas,** all properties owned by the Bureau of Parks and Recreation have been designated as state park lands according to Public Law 1993, chapter 639; now, therefore, be it

**Sec. 1. Director of the Bureau of Parks and Recreation authorized to sell property. Resolved:** That the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Recreation is authorized to sell a structure and .82 acres, more or less, on Hospital Street in Augusta, Maine, Kennebec County, known as the Trial House; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Use of proceeds from the sale of property. Resolved:** That the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Recreation is authorized to use the proceeds from the sale of this structure and land to purchase additional land in Kennebec County for public recreation, conservation, scenic value, nature appreciation, historic preservation and interpretation, public access or related purposes.

See title page for effective date.