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existing costs or expenses, including administrative salaries and benefits, rent, equipment costs, utilities and materials.

B. The contract does not adversely affect the State's affirmative action efforts.

C. The contract is awarded in accordance with section 1825-B.

D. The contract includes specific provisions pertaining to the qualifications of the staff that is to perform the work under the contract, as well as a statement that the contractor's hiring practices meet applicable affirmative action and antidiscrimination standards.

E. The potential for future economic risk to the State from potential rate increases or work interruptions by the contractor is minimal.

F. The contract is with a firm or a licensed, registered or otherwise professionally qualified individual. For the purposes of this section, "firm" means a corporation, partnership, nonprofit organization or sole proprietorship.

G. The potential economic advantage of contracting is not outweighed by the public's interest in having a particular function performed directly by State Government.

H. The contract does not contain standards of performance or employee qualifications lower than existing state standards or minimum qualifications.

3. Contract information retained. Departments or agencies submitting proposed contracts shall retain all data, including written findings, relevant to the contracts and necessary for a specific application of the standards set forth in subsections 1 and 2.

Sec. 2. Application. This Act applies to proposals for new contracts and the renewal process for existing contracts as they occur on and after the effective date of this Act.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 286

H.P. 783 - L.D. 1071

An Act to Ensure That Crime Victims Are Informed of Their Rights

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

Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1172, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 680, §5, is amended to read:

2. When providing notice under subsection 1, the attorney for the State shall offer to provide the victim with a pamphlet containing this chapter, Title 5, chapter 316-A and Title 15, sections 812 and 6101. In addition, the attorney for the State, as part of any victim and witness support program that attorney administers under Title 30-A, section 460, shall provide the victim with a pamphlet outlining in every day language the provisions set out in this chapter, Title 5, chapter 316-A and Title 15, sections 812 and 6101. The attorney for the State may use the pamphlet printed and distributed by the Department of Corrections or another pamphlet that meets the criteria in this section.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 287

S.P. 260 - L.D. 868

An Act Regarding the Form of Motorcycle License Plates

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §515-A is enacted to read:

§515-A. Motorcycle registration plates

Motorcycle registration plates must bear the words "Ride Safe." Motorcycle registration plates issued prior to January 1, 1998 may be replaced, upon a registrant's request, by plates issued under this subsection. The registrant shall surrender the original plates and pay a one-time \$5 fee for the replacement plates.

Motorcycle plates issued under sections 457 and 517 are exempt from this subsection.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 1, 1998.

Effective January 1, 1998.

CHAPTER 288

H.P. 1224 - L.D. 1736

An Act to Register New Property for the Thorncrag Bird Sanctuary with the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife