

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE**

**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**  
**January 7, 1998 to March 31, 1998**

**SECOND SPECIAL SESSION**  
**April 1, 1998 to April 9, 1998**

**THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR**  
**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**  
**NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS**  
**JUNE 30, 1998**

**SECOND SPECIAL SESSION**  
**NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS**  
**JULY 9, 1998**

**PUBLISHED BY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES**  
**IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**J.S. McCarthy Company**  
**Augusta, Maine**  
**1997**

Provides funds to expand the shelter operating subsidy program. Fifteen percent of these funds must be designated for shelter services to homeless youth and young adults.

All Other \$150,000

Provides a portion of the funds needed to accomplish the computer migration project and to assist in addressing "Year 2000" information system problems.

See title page for effective date.

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

Effective April 14, 1998.

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**CHAPTER 87**

**S.P. 734 - L.D. 2012**

**An Act to Provide Funds for the Year 2000 Project**

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

**Whereas,** the information systems of several state departments and agencies require significant modifications before the year 2000; and

**Whereas,** funding to make necessary information system modifications has not been provided; and

**Whereas,** as much time as possible is required to make the necessary changes before the end of the year 1999; 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. Report.** The Director of the Bureau of Information Services, within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, shall submit detailed status reports at the close of each fiscal quarter to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs describing the progress made by each department or agency toward resolution of "Year 2000" information system problems.

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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**CHAPTER 88**

**S.P. 737 - L.D. 2015**

**An Act to Clarify the Law Requiring the Appointment of the Pineland Development Authority**

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

**Whereas,** it is important that this legislation be enacted immediately so there will be local representation on the conversion committee in the event there is an opportunity to sell or lease the Pineland Center; 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. P&SL 1995, chapter 79, §1, sub-§3** is amended to read:

**3. Pineland Conversion Committee.** The "Pineland Conversion Committee," established in section 3 and referred to in this Act as the "committee," consists of the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services, or the commissioner's designee, who serves as chair; the Director of the Bureau of General Services within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services; ~~the chair or any member of the Governor's Task Force on Pineland Center Reuse as of October 1995 as established by Executive Order 4 Fiscal Year 1994 95; a representative 3 representatives~~ appointed by the ~~Board of Selectmen~~ municipal officers of the Town of New Gloucester; one of whom must be the chair or a member of the Governor's Task Force on Pineland