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Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect on April 1, 2000.

Effective April 1, 2000.

CHAPTER 673

S.P. 886 - L.D. 2301

An Act to Establish a Targeted Need Teacher Certificate

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13011, sub-§9 is enacted to read:

9. Targeted need certificate. The state board shall adopt rules that establish criteria under which a targeted need area certificate may be issued. This certificate may be issued only to a person holding a bachelor's degree and teaching in a teacher shortage area. The teacher shortage area is determined by the commissioner. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are major substantive rules in accordance with Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 674

H.P. 1744 - L.D. 2450

An Act to Restrict Passengers in the Vehicle of a Newly Licensed Driver

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §101, sub-§28-A is enacted to read:

28-A. Immediate family member. "Immediate family member" means a grandparent; parent, including stepparent; spouse; child; brother; or sister.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1310 is enacted to read:

<u>§1310. Interim license</u>

A person under 18 years of age who has been issued a driver's license may not carry passengers other than immediate family members unless accompanied by a licensed operator who meets the requirements of section 1304, subsection 1, paragraph E. This restriction is in effect for a period of 90 days from license issuance. Sec. 3. Effective date. This Act takes effect August 1, 2000.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 675

H.P. 1870 - L.D. 2606

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Foster Parents

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

Whereas, the section of law allowing foster parents, preadoptive parents or relatives providing care for a child to attend a review or hearing will be repealed on July 1, 2000; and

Whereas, this legislation needs to be an emergency so that it will take effect before July 1, 2000; 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. 22 MRSA §4005-C, 2nd ¶, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 189, §1, is amended to read:

The foster parent of a child, if any, and any preadoptive parent or relative providing care for the child may attend a review or hearing in its entirety under this section unless specifically excluded by decision of the presiding judge. This paragraph is repealed July 1, 2000.

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

Effective April 12, 2000.

CHAPTER 676

S.P. 992 - L.D. 2550

An Act to Ensure Cost Effective and Safe Highways in the State

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