# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## **LAWS**

#### **OF THE**

## **STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

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> J.S. McCarthy Company Augusta, Maine 1999

Lands Reserve Trust	\$100,000
Tuition - Travel	200,000
Miscellaneous	1,500
Special - Retirement	150,000
TOTAL	\$451,500
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	(\$2,351,708)

TAX ASSESSMENT

\$11,683,347

**Sec. 2. Use of funds.** Of the county reimbursements for services for Hancock County provided in this Act, \$5,000 is for the Eagle Island ferry service.

**Sec. 3. Limitation of authority.** The county commissioners of Somerset County may not commit more than \$100,000 from amounts made available by this Act for the acquisition of a fire truck for Rockwood.

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

Effective May 21, 1999.

#### **CHAPTER 26**

H.P. 297 - L.D. 405

An Act to Require that the State of Maine Comply with Federal Law Requiring Reasonable Efforts

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

**Sec. 1. Compliance and report.** The Department of Human Services shall comply with 42 United States Code, Chapter 7, Subchapter IV, Part E, as amended. The department shall report the details of the State's compliance status, giving particular attention to the requirements concerning reasonable efforts on the State's part to keep families intact, to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary by December 15, 1999.

See title page for effective date.

#### **CHAPTER 27**

H.P. 993 - L.D. 1391

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Dover-Foxcroft Water District

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

Whereas, in order to ensure a smooth transfer of the fire prevention systems from the Dover-Foxcroft Water District to the Town of Dover-Foxcroft this legislation must go into effect immediately; 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 1985, c. 107, Pt. B, §2 is repealed.

Sec. 2. P&SL 1985, c. 107, Pt. B, §§4 and 5 are repealed.

Sec. 3. P&SL 1985, c. 107, Pt. B, §6, first ¶ is amended to read:

**Sec. 6. Officers and powers.** The officers of the corporation shall consist of a supervisor, clerk, treasurer, collector, 3 assessors, 4 or more fire wardens and a board of trustees of 3 members, one of whom shall be is designated as chairman chair and such other officers as may be provided for in the bylaws of the district.

**Sec. 4.** P&SL 1985, c. 107, Pt. B, §6, 2nd ¶ is repealed.

Sec. 5. P&SL 1985, c. 107, Pt. B,  $\S$ 7, last  $\P$  is amended to read:

The district, at any legal meeting thereof of the district, may make and alter bylaws and ordinances for its government for the efficient management of its water system and properties and of its fire department, including the erection and maintenance of chimneys, regulation of all fires, stoves, pipes and flues in use for the purpose of heating contained in any building, the keeping of ashes, and for the regulation of all such other matters as shall endanger property to destruction by fire or tend to spread fire rapidly; provided that as long as the same are not repugnant to the law of the State; and may enforce the same by suitable penalties equal to the penalties provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35, chapter 313, to be recovered by action of debt in the name and to the use of the No justice in Dover Foxcroft may be disqualified from trying such actions by reason of his being a member of the district.