

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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- (2-A) State Board of Education in 1997;
- (3) Maine Arts Commission in 1999;
- (5) Maine Historic Preservation Commission in 1999;
- (5-A) Notwithstanding section 952, Maine Historical Society in 1999;
- (6) Maine Library Commission in 1999;
- (6-A) Maine State Cultural Affairs Council in 1999;
- (6-B) Maine State Library in 1999;
- (6-C) Maine State Museum in 1999;
- (7) Maine State Museum Commission in 1999;
- (8) Office of State Historian in 1999;
- (9) Board of Trustees of the Maine Maritime Academy in 2001;
- (10) Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System in 2001;
- ~~(11) Educational Leave Advisory Board in 2001;~~
- (12) Maine Technical College System in 2001;
- (13) Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority in 2003; and
- (14) Maine Educational Loan Authority in 2003.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA c. 60, as amended, is repealed.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §7031, as corrected by RR 1991, c. 2, §10, is amended by inserting after the 3rd paragraph a new paragraph to read:

It is in the public interest and is the policy of the State of Maine to foster and encourage an educational leave program to permit employees of the State to increase knowledge and skills and to improve work techniques and procedures. This would permit the agencies themselves and the citizens of Maine to benefit by what the employee has learned and will impart to others upon return.

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §12004-I, sub-§11, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 786, §5, is repealed.

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CHAPTER 520

H.P. 191 - L.D. 202

An Act to Improve Maine's Jail Diversion Programs

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA c. 8-A is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 8-A

MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT COURTS

§431. Mental health treatment courts

1. Treatment courts; funding. The Judicial Department may seek and receive grants to establish mental health treatment courts.

2. Report. Before implementing a mental health treatment court, the Judicial Department shall report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over judiciary matters on at least:

A. The funding mechanism and the expected duration of the funding;

B. The plans for the mental health treatment court, which must include an evaluation component to determine the efficacy of the treatment court on short-term and long-term bases;

C. The potential fiscal effects on the State; and

D. Recommended legislation to implement the mental health treatment court, if any.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District

Initiative: Provides funds to establish a base allocation in the event federal grant funds are secured for the purpose of establishing mental health treatment courts.

Federal Expenditures Fund	2001-02	2002-03
All Other	\$0	\$500

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