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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE
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IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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Sec. 1. Allocation to Finance Authority of Maine. The \$10,000,000 of the state ceiling for calendar year 1999 originally allocated to the Finance Authority of Maine to be used for educational loans under Public Law 1999, chapter 443, then reallocated to the Maine Educational Loan Authority under Private and Special Law 1999, chapter 82, is reallocated to the Finance Authority of Maine to be used for educational loans pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, chapter 417-B in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsection 6.

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

Effective April 11, 2001.

CHAPTER 10

H.P. 782 - L.D. 1026

An Act to Provide George J. Mitchell and William S. Cohen Lifetime License Plates

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

Sec. 1. William S. Cohen; special license plates. The Secretary of State shall issue one pair of specially designed license plates for one designated motor vehicle owned by William S. Cohen of Bangor. The plates must be issued in his honor without charge for the lifetime of William S. Cohen.

Sec. 2. George J. Mitchell; special license plates. The Secretary of State shall issue one pair of specially designed license plates for one designated motor vehicle owned by George J. Mitchell of Waterville. The plates must be issued in his honor without charge for the lifetime of George J. Mitchell.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 11

H.P. 480 - L.D. 620

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Gray Water District

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1929, c. 33, §9, first ¶ is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

All the affairs of the district are managed by a board of trustees composed of 5 members who must be residents in the district. The trustees are elected to 5-year terms in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 6410, subsection 1.

Sec. 2. P&SL 1929, c. 33, §9, 2nd ¶ is repealed.

Sec. 3. Current trustees. The terms of office to which trustees of the Gray Water District serving on the effective date of this Act were elected are unaffected by this Act. The trustees' successors are elected in accordance with this Act.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 12

H.P. 167 - L.D. 178

An Act to Implement the Continuation of Service Recommendations of the Committee to Develop a Compensation Program for Victims of Abuse at the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

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

Whereas, former students of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf and the Maine School for the Deaf have been using counseling and mental health services provided at no cost to them through the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services; and

Whereas, there should be no interruption of the provision of these services; 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. Continuation of services. The Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services shall continue to offer counseling and other mental health services at no cost to former students of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf and the Maine School for the Deaf.