

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE**

**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**  
**January 2, 2002 to April 25, 2002**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**J.S. McCarthy Company**  
**Augusta, Maine**  
**2002**

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**RESOLVES OF THE STATE OF MAINE  
AS PASSED AT  
THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH  
LEGISLATURE  
2001**

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**CHAPTER 70**

**S.P. 663 - L.D. 1854**

**Resolve, to Validate the Assessment,  
Commitment and Tax Collection of  
the Town of Wells for the Fiscal Year  
2001**

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

**Whereas,** the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 2526, subsection 9 requires all town officials to be sworn by the moderator in an open town meeting by the clerk, by a notary or by any other person authorized by law to administer an oath before assuming the duties of office; and

**Whereas,** the fiscal year for the Town of Wells begins on July 1st and ends on June 30th; and

**Whereas,** due to an oversight in 2000, the Town of Wells' tax assessor was not sworn before sending the tax commitment to the Town of Wells' tax collector for fiscal year 2001, which began July 1, 2000 and ended June 30, 2001; and

**Whereas,** immediate enactment of this legislation is necessary to validate the assessment, commitment and tax collection process in the Town of Wells for fiscal year 2001, to eliminate the cost and expense of replicating the assessment, commitment and collection process and to diminish the uncertainties of municipal tax collections in the Town of Wells; 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

**Sec. 1. Assessment, tax commitment and tax collection process of Town of Wells for fiscal year 2001 ratified, made legal and valid. Resolved:** That, notwithstanding any failure of compliance with the provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 2526, subsection 9, the

qualifications and appointment of the tax assessor and tax collector of the Town of Wells for the fiscal year 2001, which began July 1, 2000 and ended June 30, 2001, are deemed legally sufficient and valid. The assumption and performance of the duties of office by the tax assessor and tax collector and their respective deputies and agents in the Town of Wells for fiscal year 2001 are ratified, made legal and valid as of April 18, 2000. The assessments, commitment and collection of taxes for fiscal year 2001 by the Town of Wells are ratified, made legal and valid; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Retroactivity. Resolved:** That this resolve applies retroactively to April 18, 2000.

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

Effective January 15, 2002.

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**CHAPTER 71**

**H.P. 1400 - L.D. 1839**

**Resolve, Authorizing the Director of  
the Bureau of Parks and Lands  
within the Department of  
Conservation to Lease a Certain  
Parcel of Land to the Federal  
Aviation Administration**

**Sec. 1. Authority to lease land. Resolved:** That the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation is authorized to lease approximately 1/4 of an acre of land at Aroostook State Park in Presque Isle to the Federal Aviation Administration within the United States Department of Transportation for the purpose of continuing to provide an outer marker light and compass locator elements of the airplane landing guidance system for Northern Maine Regional Airport at Presque Isle.

See title page for effective date.

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