

LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE

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> J.S. McCarthy Company Augusta, Maine 2002

Sec. 1. Maine Governmental Facilities Authority authorized to issue additional securities to repair Lewiston District Court. Resolved: That, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 1606, subsection 2, the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority is authorized to issue additional securities in its own name in an amount of \$2,500,000 on or after April 1, 2002 for the purpose of finishing repairs at the Lewiston District Court; and be it further

Sec. 2. Appropriations and Allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District

New Initiative: Deappropriates funds from one-time savings.

GENERAL FUND	2001-02	2002-03
All Other	(\$256,250)	

New Initiative: Provides funds for the additional debt service costs associated with finishing the repairs of the Lewiston District Court.

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GENERAL FUND All Other	2001-02	2002-03 \$256,250
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT TOTAL -		
ALL FUNDS	(\$256,250)	\$256,250
GENERAL FUND - DEPARTM	1ENT	
TOTAL	(\$256,250)	\$256,250

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

Effective February 21, 2002.

CHAPTER 75

H.P. 1455 - L.D. 1952

Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to Convey a Crossing Easement

Preamble. The Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 23 requires that real estate held by the State for conservation purposes may not be reduced or its uses substantially altered except on the vote of 2/3 of all members elected to each House.

Sec. 1. Authority to convey easement. Resolved: That, under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 6209, subsection 6 and Title 12, section 598-A, the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation is authorized to convey for fair market value as determined by an independent appraiser to Irving Woodlands, LLC, a permanent easement in the Town of Van Buren to cross an abandoned railroad right-of-way acquired by the bureau with funds from the Land for Maine's Future Fund and managed as a public, multiple-use trail.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 76

S.P. 673 - L.D. 1876

Resolve, Extending the Authority of the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to Convey a Portion of the Kennebec Arsenal in Augusta Pursuant to Resolve 1999, Chapter 56

Sec. 1. Resolve 1999, c. 56, §8, amended. Resolved: That Resolve 1999, c. 56, §8 is amended to read:

Sec. 8. Sunset provision. Resolved: That this resolve is repealed 3 years from its effective date, except that, with respect to the portion of the Kennebec Arsenal referenced in section 3, subsection 2 of this resolve, this resolve is repealed on June 9, 2005.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 77

H.P. 414 - L.D. 535

Resolve, to Examine the Doctoratelevel Educational Opportunities Available Through the University of Maine System

Preamble. Whereas, the educational, economic and social challenges of the 21st century present greater opportunities for citizens of the State who can attain postgraduate levels of education and also provide significant prospects for economic and community development of the State; and

Whereas, excellence in doctorate-level education is an integral component of the research and development initiatives undertaken by the University of Maine System; and

Whereas, doctorate-level educational programs that support economic development across the State and expand educational, economic and cultural opportunities available to citizens of the State are an important part of the responsibility of the University of Maine System; now, therefore, be it

Sec. 1. Review of doctorate-level educational opportunities. Resolved: That the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System shall establish a review of doctorate-level educational opportunities provided through the University of Maine System; and be it further

Sec. 2. Duties. Resolved: That the review under section 1 must examine the following issues concerning the availability of and demand for doctorate-level educational programs through the University of Maine System:

1. The current array of doctorate-level educational programs available to citizens of the State through the University of Maine System;

2. The capacity and enrollment levels for the current doctorate-level educational programs available to citizens of the State through the University of Maine System; and

3. The demand for doctorate-level educational programs not currently provided through the University of Maine System, including an analysis of the costs and benefits of expanding or revising the current array of doctorate-level educational programs available to the citizens of the State; and be it further

Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System shall submit a report that includes its findings and recommendations, including any suggested legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters and to the Legislative Council by December 1, 2002. Following receipt and review of the report, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education over education matters and review of the report, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters may report out a bill to the First Regular Session of the 121st Legislature. If the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System requires a limited extension of time to complete its report, it may apply to the Legislative Council, which may grant the extension.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 78

H.P. 400 - L.D. 521

Resolve, to Direct the Department of Transportation to Submit Proposed Legislation Permitting Limited Application of Canadian Highway Weight Standards

Sec. 1. Department of Transportation directed to submit legislation to allow Canadian weight standards on Route 1 from Canadian border to junction of Route 1 and Route 9 in Baileyville. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation shall submit proposed legislation to allow Canadian weight standards on Route 1 from the Canadian border with Calais to the junction of Route 1 and Route 9 in Baileyville to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over transportation matters in the next regular legislative session after the department has determined the location of a 3rd bridge in Washington County connecting Maine with New Brunswick, Canada. This legislation must include provisions to permit a combination vehicle consisting of a 3-axle truck tractor with a 3-axle semitrailer to be operated with a gross vehicle weight of 109,000 pounds and a combination vehicle consisting of a 3-axle truck tractor with a semitrailer and trailer to be operated with a gross weight of 137,800 pounds on Route 1 from the location of the proposed 3rd bridge to the junction of Route 1 and Route 9 in Baileyville.

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CHAPTER 79

H.P. 1652 - L.D. 2158

Resolve, to Name the New Psychiatric Treatment Center Located in Augusta

Sec. 1. Name for psychiatric center. Resolved: That the new psychiatric treatment center located in Augusta be named Riverview Psychiatric Center.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 80

S.P. 733 - L.D. 2043

Resolve, to Study School Administrative Unit Organization in Maine

Sec. 1. Study group established. Resolved: That the Department of Education and the State Board of Education shall convene a study group to develop recommendations for state actions that would provide adequate instructional opportunities for all students to achieve the State's learning results while also ensuring a high level of operational efficiency; and be it further