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ing of 15 voting members and 2 nonvoting members as follows:

- A. Four parents of students who are deaf or hard-of-hearing, including a minimum of one parent with a child enrolled in the residential program and one parent with a child receiving service from the school's outreach program;
- B. Three deaf representatives of the State's deaf community;
- C. Eight members of the general public, at least 2 of whom must have expertise in deaf education; and
- F. Two students, one who attends the school and one who receives outreach services, both of whom are nonvoting members and who may not participate as board members in executive sessions or receive materials as board members from executive sessions.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 116

S.P. 201 - L.D. 592

An Act Regarding Age Eligibility for Enrollment in a Public Secondary School

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

Whereas, the school year as defined in statute will begin before the 90 days has passed; and

Whereas, this legislation will affect students for the upcoming school year; 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. 20-A MRSA §5201, sub-§3, ¶F is enacted to read:

F. A person who obtains a waiver from the commissioner pursuant to section 5206.

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §5206 is enacted to read:

§5206. Waiver

The superintendent may request that the commissioner approve on a case-by-case basis waivers of the age requirements under section 5201 to allow a student who has reached 20 years of age before the start of the school year to be enrolled as a public secondary school student.

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

Effective May 8, 2003.

CHAPTER 117

H.P. 332 - L.D. 424

An Act To Increase the Availability of Handicapped Parking Spaces for People with Disabilities

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

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §3009, sub-§1, ¶D, as amended by PL 1999, c. 127, Pt. A, §45, is further amended to read:

D. The following provisions apply to the establishment and policing of parking spaces for handicapped persons.

(1) Municipal public parking areas are subject to any applicable requirements of the Maine Human Rights Act, Title 5, chapter 337, subchapter ~~5~~ 5. The municipality shall post a sign adjacent to and visible from each handicapped parking space established by the municipality. The sign must display the international symbol for accessibility.

(2-A) Enforcement of handicapped parking restrictions must be in accordance with Title 29-A, section 521, subsection 9-A.

(3) Any vehicle or motorcycle parked in a parking space clearly marked as a handicapped parking space and that does not bear a special registration plate or placard issued under Title 29-A, section 521 or 523, or a similar plate issued by another state, must be cited for a forfeiture of not less than \$100. "Clearly marked" includes painted signs on pavement and vertical standing signs that are visible in existing weather conditions.