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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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B. Loans over \$50,000 for borrowers other than quality child care projects may not exceed 1/3 of the net new funds being provided to a borrower. Loans of \$50,000 or less for projects other than quality child care projects may not exceed 1/2 of the net new funds being provided to a borrower. Loans for quality child care projects may be for the total amount of new funds being provided to the borrower.

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

Effective May 16, 2003.

CHAPTER 196

H.P. 1115 - L.D. 1524

An Act To Conform to Federal Standards Maine's Law Regarding Strip Searches of Persons in Custody

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §200-G, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 789, §1, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 197

H.P. 1125 - L.D. 1532

An Act To Raise the Threshold under the Fair Minimum Wage Rate on Construction Projects Law

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §1304, sub-§8, as enacted by PL 1967, c. 403, is amended to read:

8. Public works. "Public works" includes all buildings, roads, highways, bridges, streets, alleys, sewers, ditches, sewage disposal plants, demolition, waterworks, airports and all other structures upon which construction may be let to contract by the State of ~~Maine~~ and which contract amounts to ~~\$10,000~~ \$50,000 or more.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 198

H.P. 1033 - L.D. 1406

An Act To Separate the Office of Tourism from the Office of Community Development

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §13055, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1995, c. 560, Pt. B, §2, is further amended to read:

1. Organizations. The department contains the following organizations:

- A. The Office of Business Development; ~~and~~
- B. The Office of Tourism ~~and Community Development;~~ and
- ~~E.~~ F. The Office of Community Development.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §13072, first ¶, as amended by PL 1995, c. 560, Pt. B, §9, is further amended to read:

The Office of ~~Tourism and~~ Community Development shall assist municipalities in planning for and achieving economic growth and development while, at the same time, preserving and protecting their resources and assets. To achieve this purpose, the department, through the office, shall strive to remove barriers to balanced economic growth and provide planning, technical and financial resources to the municipalities to enhance economic development.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §13072, 2nd ¶, as amended by PL 1995, c. 560, Pt. B, §10, is further amended to read:

The Director of the Office of ~~Tourism and~~ Community Development shall administer the office in accordance with the policies of the commissioner and the provisions of this chapter. The director has the following powers and duties.

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §13073-A, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 731, Pt. VVV, §2, is amended to read:

The Director of the Office of ~~Tourism and~~ Community Development shall administer the Regional Economic Development Assistance Fund, referred to in this section as the "fund."

Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §13073-A, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 731, Pt. VVV, §2, is amended to read: