# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# **LAWS**

# **OF THE**

# STATE OF MAINE

## AS PASSED BY THE

## ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE

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- Act of 1985 under a prior plan has been exhausted.
- B. Any conditions on eligibility or coverage under subsection 1-A, paragraph D or E continue to apply at the time of reenrollment.
- C. The retiree may reenroll in the same contract type in which the retiree was enrolled at the time the retiree declined or withdrew from coverage, except for any change in contract type allowed under subsection 3-B.
- D. An election under this subsection, which may be made only once, must be made either:
  - (1) At the time of retirement; or
  - (2) Following retirement, provided the person had elected at the time of retirement to be covered by the state program.
- E. If a spouse or dependent of the retiree was enrolled in the plan at the time the retiree withdrew pursuant to this subsection, the spouse or dependent may reenroll if the spouse or dependent meets the 18-month coverage criteria set forth in paragraph A. A spouse or dependent who was not enrolled at the time the retiree withdrew may enroll only if that person meets the criteria set forth in subsection 3-B, paragraph B.

This subsection does not apply to persons who are reemployed by the State following retirement as provided in Public Law 2001, chapter 442.

**Sec. 2. Application.** This Act applies to persons who elect to decline or withdraw from coverage on or after the effective date of this Act.

See title page for effective date.

#### **CHAPTER 215**

S.P. 314 - L.D. 973

An Act To Ensure Comprehensive Cancer Control in Maine

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1407 is enacted to read:

#### §1407. Cancer prevention, research and treatment

1. Program established. The Bureau of Health shall establish a cancer prevention and control program to provide leadership for and coordination of cancer prevention, research and treatment activities. The program may include, but is not limited to:

- A. Monitoring cancer prevalence at the state and community levels through the cancer-incidence registry under section 1404 and other means;
- B. Education and training of health professionals on the current methods of diagnosing and treating cancer;
- C. Patient and family education on how to manage the disease and the treatment of the disease; and
- D. Consultation with and support of communitybased cancer prevention, research and treatment programs.
- 2. Consultation. In implementing the program established in subsection 1, the Bureau of Health shall consult with the Medicaid program administered by the department and with the Department of Education. In addition, the bureau shall seek advice from other organizations and private entities concerned with cancer prevention, research and treatment.
- 3. Funding. The Bureau of Health may accept federal funds and grants for implementing the program established in subsection 1 and may contract for work with outside vendors or individuals.

**Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

#### **HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

#### **Bureau of Health 0143**

Initiative: Creates 2 federal positions in the Department of Human Services, Bureau of Health, a Public Health Educator III position and a Planning and Research Associate II position, for the purposes of establishing a cancer prevention and control program. The positions are funded with existing federal resources in the bureau.

Federal Expenditures Fund Positions - Legislative Count	<b>2003-04</b> (2.000)	<b>2004-05</b> (2.000)
All Other	(74,196)	(100,907)
Federal Expenditures Fund Total	\$0	\$0

See title page for effective date.

#### **CHAPTER 216**

H.P. 646 - L.D. 869

An Act Concerning the Financial Obligations of a Parent Involved in a Crime against a Child of That Parent