

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

**AS PASSED BY THE**  
**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**  
**August 21, 2003 to August 22, 2003**

**The General Effective Date For**  
**First Special Session**  
**Non-Emergency Laws Is**  
**November 22, 2003**

**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**  
**January 7, 2004 to January 30, 2004**

**The General Effective Date For**  
**Second Regular Session**  
**Non-Emergency Laws Is**  
**April 30, 2004**

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

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**Penmor Lithographers**  
**Lewiston, Maine**  
**2004**

amounts, bearing interest at such rate or rates, and having such terms and provisions as the trustees shall determine; provided the total indebtedness of the district shall does not exceed the sum of \$4,000,000 \$5,200,000.

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

Effective April 6, 2004.

**CHAPTER 41**

**H.P. 1431 - L.D. 1931**

**An Act To Provide for a Limited Transition Provision for Renewal of Certain Social Worker Licenses**

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

**Whereas,** this legislation authorizes the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, State Board of Social Worker Licensure to issue renewal licenses to social workers who held valid licenses on September 13, 2003, prior to the enactment of new license requirements for licenses issued after January 1, 2004; and

**Whereas,** if the State Board of Social Worker Licensure is not granted additional authority, it will not be feasible for many social worker licensees to comply with the new requirements for licensure within the balance of their current license cycle and they will therefore be denied an opportunity to continue providing a valuable service to the citizens of the State; 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. Transition provisions.** Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, section 7060, subsections 1 and 2, the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, State Board of Social Worker Licensure is authorized to delay application of the new consultation requirements to conditionally licensed social workers and licensed social workers who held valid licenses on September 13, 2003. The new consultation requirements, which became

effective on January 1, 2004, must be imposed on these licensees upon their timely application for renewal. These licensees will be accorded not less than 2 years but no more than 4 years to comply with the new consultation requirements. This transition is not intended to prevent timely consideration by the State Board of Social Worker Licensure of applications for renewal licensure for individuals who have or will have completed the required consultation requirements under Public Law 2003, chapter 429. The transition is intended to provide licensed and conditionally licensed social workers who were validly licensed on September 13, 2003 but who have not previously been subject to new consultation requirements to have the same time period as new licensees to satisfy consultation requirements.

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

Effective April 7, 2004.

**CHAPTER 42**

**H.P. 1452 - L.D. 1953**

**An Act To Validate Certain Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Notes by the Calais School District**

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

**Whereas,** the management and control of public school buildings located in the City of Calais are vested in the Calais School District, which includes the territory of the City of Calais; and

**Whereas,** the State Board of Education has granted concept approval and design and funding approval for a school construction project to construct and equip additions and do renovations to Calais Elementary School and Calais High School; and

**Whereas,** at a first referendum held on May 29, 2002, the voters of the City of Calais voted to authorize the Board of Trustees of the Calais School District to expend an amount not to exceed \$8,824,585 for the project, to issue bonds or notes in the name of the Calais School District for school construction purposes in an amount not to exceed \$7,208,212 and to issue additional bonds or notes or other evidences of indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$1,616,373 for zero-interest loans from the State's School Revolving Renovation Fund; and