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commissioner considers appropriate. The state property must be sold as is, with no representations or warranties.

Title must be transferred by quitclaim deed without covenant, executed by the commissioner, but the 15 acres in section 3 must be transferred subject to affordable neighborhood development covenants and in compliance with local zoning ordinances; and be it further

- **Sec. 5. Exemptions. Resolved:** That any conveyance pursuant to this resolve is exempt from any statutory or regulatory requirement that the property first be offered to the Maine State Housing Authority or another state or local agency; and be it further
- Sec. 6. Appraisal. Resolved: That the commissioner shall have the current market value of the state property determined by an independent appraiser with the assumption that the 15 acres of property in section 3 are subject to affordable neighborhood development covenants. The commissioner shall first offer the property to an individual or entity holding a valid option on the property and, if the property is not purchased by the option holder, the commissioner may list the property for sale or lease with private real estate brokers at their appraised value of the property and negotiate sales or leases, solicit bids, sell directly to purchasers or enter directly into leases with tenants. The commissioner may reject any offers

The commissioner shall establish the purchase price and terms of sale.

If the commissioner elects to solicit bids, the commissioner shall publish notices of sale sufficient to advertise the state property. The commissioner may reject any bids; and be it further

- **Sec. 7. Proceeds. Resolved:** That any proceeds from sales pursuant to this resolve must be deposited in the Maine State Housing Authority's Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 4853; and be it further
- **Sec. 8.** Land acquired. Resolved: That the commissioner is authorized to receive and hold title to such property as is exchanged pursuant to the boundary line agreement in section 3; and be it further
- **Sec. 9. Repeal. Resolved:** That this resolve is repealed 5 years from its effective date.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 91

H.P. 1069 - L.D. 1464

Resolve, Amending the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services' Authorization To Convey a Portion of the Kennebec Arsenal in Augusta Pursuant to Resolve 1999, Chapter 56

- Sec. 1. Resolve 1999, c. 56, §3, sub-§2, amended. Resolved: That Resolve 1999, c. 56, §3, sub-§2 is amended to read:
- 2. A portion of the Kennebec Arsenal property, located on the easterly side of the Kennebec River in Augusta, which that was conveyed to the State of Maine by the United States of America by deeds recorded at the Registry of Deeds of the County of Kennebec, State of Maine, in Book 462, Page 361 and Book 2380, Page 189. The parcel to be conveyed is located on either side of Arsenal Street, and is more particularly described as the Arsenal campus, being roughly that a rectangular portion of the Kennebec Arsenal property lying under and immediately surrounding adjacent to the following structures: the Commandant's Home, also known as Hill House; the Gate House; North Burleigh; South Burleigh; Burleigh Pavillion; Burleigh Annex; the White (frame) House; and the Garage; and the maximum security building also known as the "Old Max," said conveyance to include all of the aforementioned structures. The commissioner may determine the amount of land to be conveyed, which amount may exceed 6 consist of approximately 30 acres if appropriate. The transfer of property interests as authorized in this subsection must be reviewed by the Maine Historic Preservation Commission to ensure that the State's interests in the historic preservation of the Kennebec Arsenal property are protected and that public access is maintained to the grounds;

; and be it further

- Sec. 2. Resolve 1999, c. 56, §7, amended. Resolved: That Resolve 1999, c. 56, §7 is amended to read:
- **Sec. 7. Proceeds. Resolved:** That any proceeds from the sale of property currently located at the Maine Youth Center in South Portland must be deposited in the Bureau of General Services Capital Construction and Improvements Reserve Fund to be used for the renovation, construction and expansion of facilities at the South Portland Campus. Any proceeds from the sale of the property currently located at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in Waterville must be deposited in the General Services Capital Construction and Improvements Reserve Fund to be used

for the renovation, construction and expansion of the facilities at the Oak Grove Campus. Any proceeds from the sale of the Kennebec Arsenal property must be deposited in the Maine State Housing Authority's Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 4853. These funds must be carried forward until expended; and be it further

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 92

H.P. 1070 - L.D. 1465

Resolve, Authorizing the
Commissioner of Administrative and
Financial Services To Sell or Lease
the Interests of the State in Certain
Real Estate Located in Hallowell and
To Enter into Lease-purchase
Agreements for School Bus
Acquisition

PART A

- **Sec. A-1. Definitions. Resolved:** That, as used in this resolve, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.
- 1. "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services.
- 2. "State property" means the real estate described in section 3 of this resolve with the buildings and improvements, together with all appurtenant rights and easements, and all personal property located on that property, including vehicles, machinery, equipment and supplies; and be it further
- **Sec. A-2. Authority to convey property. Resolved:** That the State, by and through the commissioner, may:
- 1. Enter into a lease or leases or convey by sale the interests of the State in the state property;
- 2. Negotiate, draft, execute and deliver any documents necessary to settle any boundary line discrepancies;
- 3. Exercise, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, chapter 304, the power of eminent domain to quiet for all time any possible challenges to ownership of the state property;
- 4. Negotiate, draft, execute and deliver any easements or other rights that, at the commissioner's

discretion, may contribute to the value of a proposed sale or lease of the State's interests; and

- 5. Release any interests in the state property that, at the commissioner's discretion, do not contribute to the value of the remaining state property; and be it further
- Sec. A-3. Property interests that may be conveyed. Resolved: That the state property authorized to be sold or leased is: Town of Hallowell Tax Map 6, Lot 27 consisting of 63.5 acres, more or less; and be it further
- Sec. A-4. Property to be sold as is. Resolved: That the commissioner may negotiate and execute leases and purchase and sale agreements upon terms the commissioner considers appropriate; however, the state property must be sold "as is," with no representations or warranties.

Title must be transferred by quitclaim deed without covenant and executed by the commissioner; and be it further

- **Sec. A-5. Exemptions. Resolved:** That any lease or conveyance pursuant to this resolve is exempt from any statutory or regulatory requirement that the property first be offered to the Maine State Housing Authority or another state or local agency; and be it further
- **Sec. A-6. Appraisal. Resolved:** That the commissioner must have the current market value of the state property determined by an independent appraiser. The commissioner may list the property for sale or lease with private real estate brokers at their appraised value of the state property and negotiate sales or leases, solicit bids, sell directly to purchasers or enter directly into leases with tenants. The commissioner may reject any offers.

The commissioner shall establish the rent or purchase price and the terms of lease or sale.

- If the commissioner elects to solicit bids, the commissioner shall publish notices of sale sufficient to advertise the state property. The commissioner may reject any bids; and be it further
- **Sec. A-7. Proceeds. Resolved:** That any proceeds from sales pursuant to this resolve must be deposited in the Maine State Housing Authority's Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund, established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 4853; and be it further
- **Sec. A-8. Repeal. Resolved:** That this resolve is repealed 8 years from its effective date.