

# 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**  
**February 3, 2004 to April 30, 2004**

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

**PUBLISHED BY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES**  
**IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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

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**RESOLVES OF THE STATE OF MAINE  
AS PASSED AT  
THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIRST  
LEGISLATURE  
2003**

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**CHAPTER 99**

**H.P. 1350 - L.D. 1827**

**Resolve, Authorizing the City of  
Biddeford To Consolidate Voting  
Districts for a Special Election in  
House District 18 in 2004**

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

**Whereas,** the special election for House District 18 will be called before the expiration of the 90-day period; and

**Whereas,** it is costly for municipalities to staff all voting places during an election; and

**Whereas,** a single polling place can accommodate the turnout expected for the special election; 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

**Sec. 1. City of Biddeford authorized to consolidate voting districts. Resolved:** That, notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 21-A, section 631, the City of Biddeford, with the approval of the city council, may consolidate voting districts for the purpose of holding a special election in House District 18 in 2004. The plan to consolidate districts must be submitted to the Secretary of State at least 10 days prior to the special election.

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

Effective January 9, 2004.

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**CHAPTER 100**

**H.P. 38 - L.D. 31**

**Resolve, To Direct State, County and  
Local Departments and Agencies To  
Coordinate a Single-point Referral  
and Resource Service Related to  
Drug Issues in Washington County**

**Sec. 1. Coordination of services in Washington County. Resolved:** That the Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services, the Department of Human Services and the Department of Corrections shall work together in cooperation with county and local service providers, law enforcement and other interested parties to coordinate a single point of contact for persons in Washington County to receive information and treatment referral services for all drug-related issues; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Funding. Resolved:** That the Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services, the Department of Human Services and the Department of Corrections may accept grants and private funds for the purpose of carrying out this resolve; and be it further

**Sec. 3. Report. Resolved:** That the Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services, Office of Substance Abuse shall report progress on developing and implementing a single point of contact for Washington County to the joint standing committee having jurisdiction over criminal justice and public safety matters by January 1, 2005.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 101**

**H.P. 1365 - L.D. 1839**

**Resolve, To Provide for Legislative  
Review of Certain Agency Rules and  
Submission of Certain Authorized  
Reports and Legislation**

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective

until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas**, certain actions under the State Government Evaluation Act required in the second regular session must be authorized for a special session; and

**Whereas**, in order for the Legislature to retain its opportunity for meaningful review of certain agency rules, this legislation must be enacted as an emergency measure; and

**Whereas**, the authority or requirement that the Legislature has extended to any entity within or outside the Legislature for the duration of the Second Regular Session of the 121st Legislature may be continued to a special session only by emergency enactment of this legislation; 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

**Sec. 1. State Government Evaluation Act.**

**Resolved:** That, notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 955, any committee of jurisdiction that is required under the State Government Evaluation Act to take action or submit a report in the Second Regular Session of the 121st Legislature and has not done so on the effective date of this resolve is subject to the same requirement under that Act for a special session of the 121st Legislature that convenes before the statutory adjournment date of April 21, 2004; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Agency rules. Resolved:** That, notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072, subsection 7, any major substantive rule submitted for review to the Second Regular Session of the 121st Legislature for legislative review and not finally acted upon by the Second Regular Session of the 121st Legislature prior to adjournment must be held over to any special session of the 121st Legislature that convenes before the statutory adjournment date of April 21, 2004 for review during that session; and be it further

**Sec. 3. Reports and legislation authorized. Resolved:** That, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, any action, report or legislation that is required or authorized to be performed during or submitted to the Second Regular Session of the 121st Legislature that has not been performed or submitted on the effective date of this resolve is by virtue of this resolve required or authorized, as applicable, for performance during or submission to any special session of the 121st Legislature that

convenes before the statutory adjournment date of April 21, 2004.

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

Effective February 2, 2004.

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