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a nursing education program in the State for a minimum of 3 years after acceptance into the nursing education loan repayment program.

- 3. Nursing education loan repayment fund. The nursing education loan repayment fund, referred to in this section as "the fund," is created as a nonlapsing, interest-earning, revolving fund to carry out the purposes of this subchapter.
 - A. The authority may receive, invest and expend on behalf of the fund money from gifts, grants, bequests, loans and donations in addition to money appropriated or allocated by the State. Money received by the authority on behalf of the fund must be used for the purposes of this subchapter. The fund must be maintained and administered by the authority. Any unexpended balance in the fund carries forward for continued use under this subchapter.
 - B. Costs and expenses of maintaining, servicing and administering the fund and of administering the nursing education loan repayment program may be paid out of amounts in the fund.
- 4. Administration. The nursing education loan repayment program and the nursing education loan repayment fund are administered by the authority. The authority shall repay the loan of an applicant who meets the criteria in subsection 2 in the amount of up to \$4,500 for a master's degree and up to \$6,000 for a doctoral degree. The authority may adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this subchapter. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are major substantive rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 418

H.P. 1200 - L.D. 1692

An Act To Transfer Funds to the Maine Milk Pool from the General Fund To Fund Dairy Stabilization Programs

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

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §3153-D is enacted to read:

§3153-D. Transfer of revenues

On or before the 15th day of each month, the administrator of the Maine Milk Pool shall certify the amounts to be distributed for the previous month pursuant to sections 3153-B and 3153-C to the State

Controller, who shall transfer the certified monthly amount when certified from General Fund undedicated revenue to the Maine Milk Pool Other Special Revenue Funds account.

Sec. 2. Certified payments; Maine Milk Pool. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 3153-D, for fiscal year 2005-06, the certified amount for transfer must be reduced by funds appropriated, transferred, carried forward or available for distribution pursuant to Title 7, sections 3153-B and 3153-C.

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CHAPTER 419

H.P. 63 - L.D. 67

An Act To Allow the Use of Crossbows for Hunting

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10108, sub-§6-A is enacted to read:

6-A. Crossbow hunting education program. The commissioner shall establish a program for training individuals in safe and responsible crossbow hunting skills and behavior. This program may include instruction in fisheries and wildlife laws, rights of landowners and hunters and appropriate principles of wildlife management. The commissioner may charge an enrollment fee of up to \$10 per person to help defray the costs of this program. The commissioner may cooperate with any public or private association dedicated to responsible and safe crossbow hunting to establish this program.

In establishing the program, the commissioner shall:

- A. Prescribe the qualifications of instructors;
- B. Provide liability insurance for each instructor authorized by the commissioner to conduct training under the program protecting that person from liability for damages during the time when instruction is being given. The cost of this insurance must be borne by the State and charged against funds credited to the department;
- C. Prescribe the type and length of instruction and the time and place of examinations; and
- D. Issue a certificate of competency to individuals who successfully complete the examination.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §10953 is enacted to read: