

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE**

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**July 29, 2005**

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**THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR**

**SECOND SPECIAL SESSION**

**NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS**

**OCTOBER 28, 2005**

**THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR**

**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

**NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS**

**AUGUST 23, 2006**

**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**

**2006**

**8. Rules.** The commissioner shall adopt rules in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act to interpret and implement this section.

**9. Educational outreach.** The Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources shall conduct an educational outreach program for the agricultural community to increase awareness of the provisions of this section and the currently adopted best management practices of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources. The commissioner shall inform the public about the provisions of this section, the complaint resolution process adopted by the department and state policy with respect to preservation and protection of agricultural and natural resources.

**Sec. 2. 36 MRSA §2013, sub-§1, ¶A,** as amended by PL 1993, c. 151, §1, is further amended to read:

A. "Commercial agricultural production" means commercial production of crops for human and animal consumption, including the commercial production of sod, agricultural composting operation as defined in Title 17, section 2805, the commercial production of seed to be used primarily to raise crops for nourishment of humans or animals and production of livestock.

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**CHAPTER 639**

**H.P. 689 - L.D. 979**

**An Act To Fund Youth Mentoring Programs**

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA c. 331** is enacted to read:

**CHAPTER 331**

**MAINE MENTORING PARTNERSHIP GRANT PROGRAM**

**§9901. Maine Mentoring Partnership Grant Program**

**1. Establishment of program grants.** The department, through the Maine Mentoring Partnership or its successor organization, shall establish and administer the Maine Mentoring Partnership Grant Program, referred to in this chapter as "the program," to provide funding for grants to eligible mentoring programs.

**2. Eligible mentoring programs.** The department shall develop eligibility criteria for mentoring programs seeking grants under this chapter. At a minimum, the mentoring program must provide guidance, support and encouragement to young persons through the establishment of structured mentoring relationships to help the young persons develop into confident, competent and contributing members of society. The relationships may be through one-on-one, group, team or peer mentoring. Eligible entities include school-based or independent programs, including a regional collaborative program created to provide mentoring services.

**3. Grant size and distribution.** Grants must be based on financial need and may range from a minimum of \$1,000 to a maximum of \$75,000. Of the funds appropriated to the program annually, at least 75% must be used for direct grants, up to 20% may be used for technical assistance provided by the Maine Mentoring Partnership or its successor organization and no more than 5% may be used for administrative costs of operating the program.

**4. Rules.** The department shall develop rules to implement this chapter. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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

**EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Jobs for Maine's Graduates 0704**

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to provide grants to eligible mentoring programs pursuant to the requirements of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, chapter 331.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>
All Other	\$0	\$25,000
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>

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**CHAPTER 640**

**H.P. 272 - L.D. 359**

**An Act To Change the Child Care Facility Licensing Laws**

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

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §7802, sub-§2, ¶B,** as amended by PL 1999, c. 599, §1, is further amended to read: