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provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, chapter 115.

Sec. 6. Referendum; certificate to Secretary of State. This Act takes effect 90 days after its approval only for the purpose of permitting its submission by the municipal officers to the legal voters of Drew Plantation by ballot at the next general election to be held in November. This election must be called, advertised and conducted according to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, sections 2528 and 2532. The plantation clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which the clerk shall reduce the subject matter of this Act to the following question:

"Do you favor the deorganization of Drew Plantation?"

The voters shall indicate their opinion on this question by a cross or check mark placed against the word "Yes" or "No." Before becoming effective, this Act must be approved by at least 2/3 of the legal voters voting at the election, and the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act at the election must equal or exceed 50% of the total number of votes cast in the plantation for Governor at the last gubernatorial election.

The municipal officers of Drew Plantation shall declare the result of the vote. The plantation clerk shall file a certificate of the election result with the Secretary of State within 10 days from the date of the election.

Sec. 7. Effective date. Sections 1 to 4 of this Act take effect on July 1, 2007 if deorganization is approved by the voters of Drew Plantation pursuant to section 5 of this Act.

Effective pending referendum, unless otherwise indicated.

CHAPTER 61

H.P. 1370 - L.D. 1956

An Act To Recapitalize the Maine Downtown Center

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

Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

State Planning Office 0082

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to recapitalize the Maine Downtown Center.

GENERAL FUND	2005-06	2006-07
All Other	\$0	\$75,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$75,000

State Planning Office 0082

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for the Maine Regulatory Fairness Board.

GENERAL FUND All Other	2005-06 \$0	2006-07 \$5,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$5,000
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT TOTALS GENERAL FUND	2005-06 \$0	2006-07 \$80,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$80,000

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 62

H.P. 1221 - L.D. 1714

An Act To Increase Funding for the Intergovernmental Advisory Commission

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

Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

State Planning Office

Initiative: Provides funds for planning and holding a conference for the Intergovernmental Advisory Commission.

GENERAL FUND	2005-06	2006-07
All Other	\$0	\$10,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$10,000

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 63

S.P. 862 - L.D. 2117

An Act To Amend the Charter of the Starboard Water District

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

Whereas, water in the Town of Machiasport has been contaminated from a former radar transmission station and this poses a serious threat to the health and well-being of the inhabitants in the area; and

Whereas, an adequate supply of water is essential to the health and well-being of the inhabitants of the Town of Machiasport; 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. P&SL 2003, c. 47, §7, first ¶ is amended to read:

Sec. 7. Emergency clause; referendum; effective date. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters within the territory described in section 1 of this Act at an election called for that purpose and held by July 1, 2006 2007. The election must be called by the municipal officers of the town and be held at the regular voting places. The election must be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections, except that the registrar of voters is not required to prepare or the clerk to post a new list of voters. For the purpose of registration of voters, the registrar of voters must be in session the secular day preceding the election. The subject matter of this Act is reduced to the following question:

Sec. 2. P&SL 2003, c. 47, §7, last ¶ is amended to read:

This Act takes effect for all purposes immediately upon its approval by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election. Failure to achieve the necessary approval in any referendum does not prohibit subsequent referenda consistent with this section, provided the referenda are held prior to July 1, 2006 2007.

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

Effective May 30, 2006.

CHAPTER 64

H.P. 931 - L.D. 1348

An Act To Increase Funding for Meals on Wheels Program

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

Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses for the reimbursement of meals on wheels programs for travel expenses will become due and payable prior to June 30, 2006; 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. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Elder and Adult Services, Bureau of

Initiative: Provides funds to supplement funding for mileage reimbursement to volunteers of meals on wheels programs. The funds are to be distributed to each Area Agency on Aging via the guidelines identified in the federal Older Americans Act of 1965. Any unexpended money appropriated or allocated may not lapse, but must be carried forward.

GENERAL FUND	2005-06	2006-07
All Other	\$75,000	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$75,000	\$0

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

Effective June 1, 2006.

CHAPTER 65

H.P. 1355 - L.D. 1914

An Act To Increase Wheelchair Van Services Reimbursement Rates