

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION
December 1, 2004 to March 30, 2005

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
April 4, 2005 to June 18, 2005

THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS
JUNE 29, 2005

THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS
SEPTEMBER 17, 2005

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

Penmor Lithographers
Lewiston, Maine
2005

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE		
FUNDS	2005-06	2006-07
Personal Services	\$880	\$880
All Other	\$3,600	\$3,600
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OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE		
FUNDS TOTAL	\$4,480	\$4,480

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

Effective June 21, 2005.

CHAPTER 122

H.P. 699 - L.D. 1015

Resolve, To Increase Small Business Access to State Contracts

Sec. 1. Increase access to state contracts.

Resolved: That all state agencies with assistance from the Department of Economic and Community Development shall do more outreach to increase access to government contracts by the small business community and shall assist small businesses in making contacts with the Market Development Center.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 123

H.P. 226 - L.D. 301

Resolve, To Implement the Recommendations of the Committee To Study Compliance with Maine's Freedom of Access Laws

Sec. 1. Advisory committee established.

Resolved: That the Freedom of Access Advisory Committee, referred to in this resolve as "the committee," is established to serve as a resource for ensuring compliance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, chapter 13, subchapters 1 and 1-A and upholding the integrity of the purposes underlying subchapter 1 as it applies to all public entities in the conduct of the public's business; and be it further

Sec. 2. Membership. Resolved: That the committee consists of the following 13 members:

1. One Senator, appointed by the President of the Senate, who serves as Senate chair;
2. One member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House, who serves as House chair;

3. One representative of municipal interests, appointed by the Governor;
4. One representative of county or regional interests, appointed by the President of the Senate;
5. One representative of school interests, appointed by the Governor;
6. One representative of law enforcement interests, appointed by the President of the Senate;
7. One representative of the interests of State Government, appointed by the Governor;
8. One representative of a statewide coalition of advocates of freedom of access, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
9. One representative of newspaper and other press interests, appointed by the President of the Senate;
10. One representative of broadcasting interests, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
11. One representative of the public, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
12. The Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee; and
13. The committee shall invite the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court to designate a member of the judicial branch to serve as a member of the committee; and be it further

Sec. 3. Appointments; convening first meeting. Resolved: That all appointments must be made no later than 15 days following the effective date of this resolve. The appointing authorities shall notify the Executive Director of the Legislative Council once all appointments have been completed. Within 15 days after appointment of all members the chairs shall call and convene the first meeting of the committee, which must be no later than October 1, 2005; and be it further

Sec. 4. Meetings. Resolved: That the committee may meet up to 3 times; and be it further

Sec. 5. Duties and powers. Resolved: That the committee:

1. Shall provide to the review committee under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, chapter 13, subchapter 1-A information and advice concerning the review of exceptions to public records under subchapter 1-A and shall assist the review committee in ensuring that the schedule for review is maintained, that proposed exceptions are subject to the review