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government matters is authorized to report out legislation concerning the findings and recommendations under section 2 to the First Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 202

S.P. 838 - L.D. 2096

Resolve, To Reduce State Valuation as a Result of the Closure of Georgia- Pacific Facilities

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 Georgia-Pacific Corporation has announced that it is shutting down its Old Town pulp and paper mill; and

Whereas, the closure of the Georgia-Pacific facility may have an enormous impact on the City of Old Town; and

Whereas, this legislation authorizes the City of Old Town, if it becomes necessary, to request a reduction in its state valuation; and

Whereas, it is critically important to address this issue as soon as possible; 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 valuation for City of Old Town. Resolved: That, notwithstanding the filing deadline set forth in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, section 208-A, the City of Old Town may, by October 1, 2006, request an adjustment under Title 36, section 208-A to its 2005 state valuation based on the impact on the April 1, 2006 municipal valuation of any reduction in value of the Georgia-Pacific Corporation facilities in the city; and be it further

Sec. 2. General purpose aid for local schools; Old Town. Resolved: That, notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, section 208-A, if the State Tax Assessor notifies the Commissioner of Education of an adjustment to the state valuation of the City of Old Town pursuant to section 1, the Commissioner of Education shall adjust the payments to the City of Old Town for general purpose

aid for local schools as provided in this section. If any savings occurs in the fiscal year 2006-07 General Purpose Aid for Local Schools account, the appropriate amount of those savings must be applied to increase the Old Town school administrative unit's general purpose aid for local schools for 2006-07. If insufficient savings occur in the fiscal year 2006-07 General Purpose Aid for Local Schools account, the appropriate increase in the Old Town school administrative unit's general purpose aid for local schools for 2006-07 must be applied as an audit adjustment in 2007-08 general purpose aid for local schools.

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

Effective April 28, 2006.

CHAPTER 203

H.P. 1397 - L.D. 1995

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Amend Its Rules To Ensure Efficiencies in the Billing and Delivery of Outpatient Clinical Services

Sec. 1. Reimbursement to outpatient behavioral health clinical care service providers. Resolved: That in implementing managed behavioral health care services as required by Public Law 2005, chapter 457, Part PP and Public Law 2005, chapter 519, Part ZZZ, and consistent with the budgetary savings in fiscal year 2007 of \$10,431,749 required by Public Law 2005, chapter 457, Part PP, section 3, the Department of Health and Human Services shall amend its rules to allow for reimbursement under the MaineCare program to outpatient behavioral health care clinical service providers who practice independently and are participating providers in the managed care initiative implemented under Public Law 2005, chapters 457 and 519. For the purposes of this section, "outpatient behavioral health care clinical service providers" includes but is not limited to licensed clinical social workers, licensed marriage and family therapists, licensed pastoral counselors and licensed clinical professional counselors.

Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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