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## CHAPTER 419 H.P. 694 - L.D. 919

An Act To Clarify the Sales Tax and Service Provider Tax Exemptions for Nonprofit Ambulance Services

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

- **Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§26,** as amended by PL 1997, c. 723, §1, is further amended to read:
- 26. Nonprofit fire departments and nonprofit ambulance services. Sales to incorporated nonprofit fire departments and, sales to incorporated nonprofit ambulance services, sales to air ambulance services that are limited liability companies all of whose members are nonprofit organizations and sales of tangible personal property leased to air ambulance services that are limited liability companies all of whose members are nonprofit organizations.
- **Sec. 2. 36 MRSA §2557, sub-§5,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 673, Pt. V, §25 and affected by §29, is further amended to read:
- 5. Nonprofit fire departments and nonprofit ambulance services. Sales to incorporated nonprofit fire departments and, to incorporated nonprofit ambulance services and to air ambulance services that are limited liability companies all of whose members are nonprofit organizations;

See title page for effective date.

### CHAPTER 420 S.P. 90 - L.D. 253

An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Joint Select Committee on Research, Economic Development and the Innovation Economy

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

- Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1664, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:
- 3-A. Funding for research and development. Beginning in fiscal year 2008-09, the Governor, when submitting the budget document to the Legislature pursuant to section 1666, shall submit a funding level recommendation for research and development. The recommendation must be transmitted to the Legislature within the time schedules set forth in section 1666. It is the intent of the Legislature that beginning

in fiscal year 2009-10 the biennial budget submitted by the Governor must set forth appropriations for research and development that are the equivalent of not less than 1% of total actual General Fund revenue of the previous fiscal year. For each successive year for the next 10 fiscal years, the funding level must increase by at least 2/10 of 1% until funding for research and development is the equivalent to not less than 3% of total actual General Fund revenue of the previous fiscal year. If the Governor's budget sets forth recommendations for research and development that differ from the levels described in this subsection, the Governor shall explain the funding difference in the biennial budget document.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §12004-I, sub-§6-G is enacted to read:

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- **Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §13106, sub-§1,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 673, Pt. M, §8, is amended to read:
- 1. Action plan. An action plan for the application of science and technology to improve the State's position in the global economy. The action plan must be based on the State's overall economic development strategy as determined by the commissioner. The action plan must identify specific steps that public and private institutions must implement to improve the State's science and technology infrastructure. The action plan must also identify action steps that could be implemented immediately without new state appropriations and resources and action steps that will require new state appropriations or major reallocation of state appropriations and resources.

The action plan must include numerical objectives, costs and an evaluation protocol. The action plan must also include a provision for assigning and ensuring accountability for those who receive state research and development funds through the office. In the preparation of this action plan, the office shall seek the advice of state agencies, the Maine Economic Growth Council established in Title 10, section 929-A, the University of Maine System and the business, education and research communities; and.

This subsection is repealed January 1, 2008; and

**Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §13107,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 673, Pt. M, §8, is amended to read: