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**12. Report.** The advisory board shall submit a report on the innovation economy action plan developed under subsection 11 to the Maine Economic Growth Council by the first Wednesday in March every 5 years, beginning in 2010. The advisory board shall submit a progress report on the innovation economy action plan to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over business, research and economic development matters and to the Governor by the first Wednesday in March of each year, beginning in 2008.

Sec. 8. Maine Innovation Economy Advisory Board; staggered terms for initial appointees. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, section 949, subsection 3, of the members initially appointed to the Maine Innovation Economy Advisory Board, 10 serve for one-year terms, 10 for 2-year terms and 10 for 3-year terms.

Sec. 9. Maine Revised Statutes headnote amended; revision clause. In the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, chapter 107, in the chapter headnote, the words "Maine Development Foundation" are amended to read "Maine Development Foundation; Maine Economic Growth Council," and the Revisor of Statutes shall implement this revision when updating, publishing or republishing the statutes.

**Sec. 10.** Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

# **DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, MAINE**

#### **Development Foundation 0198**

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to the Maine Development Foundation for the additional staff and materials cost associated with the Maine Economic Growth Council's developing specific annual budget recommendations for research and development and preparing an annual accountability update.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$5,000	\$5,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$5,000	\$5,000

See title page for effective date.

# CHAPTER 421 H.P. 208 - L.D. 274

### An Act To Promote Mandatory Assignments and Training for Assistant Game Wardens

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10352, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

2. Compensation. The compensation of the wardens appointed pursuant to section 10351, subsection 1 is determined under the Civil Service Law. Assistant game wardens appointed pursuant to section 10351, subsection 2 are not entitled to compensation <u>but, at</u> the discretion of the Game Warden Colonel and approval of the commissioner, may be compensated for mandatory assignments and for attendance at mandatory training or other required meetings or classes and reimbursed for approved expenses.

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# CHAPTER 422

### H.P. 29 - L.D. 27

### An Act To Clarify Election Laws Concerning Election Clerks' Qualifications

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

Whereas, because this legislation concerns the elections to be held in June of 2007, it needs to take effect before the normal statutory effective date; 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. 21-A MRSA §503, sub-§1, as repealed and replaced by PL 1995, c. 459, §33, is amended to read:

1. Qualifications; appointment; compensation. Election clerks must be at least 18 years of age, registered to vote and a resident residents of the municipality, except that, if the municipal officers, after providing timely notice to state and local chairs of political parties of the lack of available election clerks, are unable to appoint a sufficient number of election clerks who are residents of the municipality, the municipal clerk may appoint election clerks who are not residents of the municipality but who are residents of the county and are otherwise qualified to fill the vacancies. The municipal officers of each municipality shall appoint election clerks no later than May 1st of each general election year to serve at each voting place during the time the polls are open and as counters after the polls