

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE**

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**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Penmor Lithographers**  
**Lewiston, Maine**  
**2007**

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF MAINE  
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**CHAPTER 1**  
**H.P. 361 - L.D. 462**

**An Act Authorizing the  
Institute for Doctoral Studies  
in the Visual Arts To Confer  
the Degree of Doctor of Visual  
Arts**

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

**Whereas**, authorization by the Legislature is required for any institution of higher education to confer academic, educational, literary or professional degrees, upon the recommendation of the State Board of Education; and

**Whereas**, the Institute for Doctoral Studies in the Visual Arts has successfully applied to the State Board of Education for a recommendation of degree-granting authority; and

**Whereas**, it is necessary to grant this authority in order that the Institute for Doctoral Studies in the Visual Arts may begin offering degree programs for students beginning in the fall of 2007; and

**Whereas**, the Institute for Doctoral Studies in the Visual Arts must initiate immediately a federally required waiting period before the institute may apply for federal loans for students; 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. Degree.** Institute for Doctoral Studies in the Visual Arts, of Portland, is authorized to confer upon all who successfully complete its prescribed course of study the degree of Doctor of Visual Arts as is usually conferred by like institutions of higher learning.

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

Effective March 1, 2007.

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**CHAPTER 2**  
**H.P. 205 - L.D. 271**

**An Act To Permit Andover  
College To Issue Degrees under  
New Ownership**

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

**Whereas**, Andover College was purchased by Kaplan Higher Education Corporation; and

**Whereas**, Andover College was given authority to issue degrees under its new ownership for one year until full permission is granted by the Legislature; and

**Whereas**, it is imperative that this legislation be passed as soon as possible so that Andover College may continue to issue degrees; 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. Issue degrees.** Andover College may issue degrees under its new ownership to all who satisfactorily complete the courses of instruction as the directors of the Kaplan Higher Education Corporation may from time to time prescribe.

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

Effective March 20, 2007.

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