# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### **LAWS**

#### **OF THE**

## **STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

#### ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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Augusta, Maine 2009

- 7. Human health, including increases in heatrelated and vector-borne diseases;
  - 8. Water supplies and drinking water; and
- 9. Emergency response systems and planning; and be it further
- Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That by February 27, 2010 the department shall report recommendations related to the evaluation under this resolve, along with any necessary implementing legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources. The recommendations must be organized by the affected natural resource and economic sectors and may include proposals for legislation, modifications to existing rules and specific initiatives for one or more agencies to undertake in collaboration with stakeholder organizations to implement the recommendations. The Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources is authorized to submit legislation related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature; and be it further
- **Sec. 4. Funding of report. Resolved:** That the department is authorized to accept public and private funds for the costs incurred to prepare the report under section 3. All funds received for these purposes must be deposited into the Maine Environmental Protection Fund established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 38, section 351 and must be used exclusively for purposes related to the preparation of this report.

See title page for effective date.

#### CHAPTER 17 H.P. 579 - L.D. 843

Resolve, To Designate the Great South Bridge in the Town of Milbridge as the Harold West Bridge

**Sec. 1. Bridge renamed. Resolved:** That the Department of Transportation shall designate the Great South Bridge over the Narraguagus River, located 0.30 of a mile northeasterly of Route 1 on Route 1-A in the Town of Milbridge, as the Harold West Bridge in honor of town citizen Harold West's more than 50 years of service to the town.

See title page for effective date.

#### CHAPTER 18 SP. 151 - L.D. 407

#### Resolve, To Identify Funding Available To Promote the Use of Energy-efficient Furnaces

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

Whereas, this legislation needs to take effect before the expiration of the 90-day period in order to be in effect for the current heating season; 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. Public Utilities Commission to identify funding available to promote the use of energy-efficient furnaces. Resolved: That the Public Utilities Commission shall identify funding sources available to the State and strategies to use such funding to promote the use of energy-efficient furnaces, particularly among low-income residents.

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

Effective April 30, 2009.

#### CHAPTER 19 H.P. 271 - L.D. 335

Resolve, Regarding Legislative
Review of Chapter 2:
Administration of Trust,
Budgeting, Project Selection
Criteria and Procedures,
Monitoring and Evaluation
Requirements, a Major
Substantive Rule of the Energy
and Carbon Savings Trust

**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 Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A requires legislative authorization before major substantive agency rules may be finally adopted by the agency; and