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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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Augusta, Maine 2011

Bureau of General Services shall allow private sales of surplus property to:

- A. Nonprofit organizations that contract with the Department of Health and Human Services to provide affordable vehicles to low-income families to assist them in participating in work, education or training;
- B. Homeless shelter sponsors; and
- C. Educational institutions:; and
- D. Nonprofit organizations that house animals and operate for the purpose of providing stray, abandoned, abused or owner-surrendered animals with sanctuary or finding the animals temporary or permanent adoptive homes.

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CHAPTER 10 S.P. 34 - L.D. 61

An Act Implementing a Fisheries Permit Banking Program

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6022, sub-§17 is enacted to read:

17. Permit banking program. The commissioner may administer a permit banking program in which the department holds federal limited access fishing permits and distributes the rights associated with those permits to eligible residents of the State with the goal of restoring and preserving access to federally managed fisheries. The commissioner may lease fisheries allocations, as required, to fund the costs associated with the permit banking program.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF Bureau of Resource Management 0027

Initiative: Allocates funds for one Resource Management Coordinator position and related All Other to administer a permit banking program for the groundfish industry.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2011-12	2012-13
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	1.000	1.000
Personal Services	\$13,053	\$78,319
All Other	\$2,772	\$10,926

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

\$15,825 \$89,245

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CHAPTER 11 S.P. 167 - L.D. 575

An Act To Extend a Deadline under the Regional Economic Development Revolving Loan Program

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 Regional Economic Development Revolving Loan Program was established in 1993 to provide financial assistance to Maine businesses in order to create and retain jobs and is essential to the future economic growth and prosperity of Maine; and

Whereas, the date until which entities eligible for loan insurance may be eligible for financial assistance under the Finance Authority of Maine's Regional Economic Development Revolving Loan Program has passed; and

Whereas, it is imperative to extend that date to continue to meet the financial needs of Maine businesses; 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. 10 MRSA §1026-M, sub-§7, ¶A, as amended by PL 2009, c. 131, §6, is further amended to read:

- A. The business for which funds are requested has 50 or fewer employees or annual sales of \$5,000,000 or less, and it consists of or involves at least one of the following:
 - (1) Manufacturing technologies, such as value-added wood products, specialty fabricated metal and electronic products, precision manufacturing and use of composites or advanced materials: