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municipality or plantation in connection with its approval of the district, tax increment revenues on all captured assessed value may not be taken into account for purposes of calculating any limitation on the municipality's or plantation's annual expenditures or appropriations, and the payment of tax increment revenues on captured assessed value is not subject to any limitation or restriction on the municipality's or plantation's authority or power to enter into contracts with respect to making payments for a term equal to the term of the district.

Sec. 28. 30-A MRSA §7051, sub-§9-A is enacted to read:

9-A. Development districts for municipalities and plantations. Chapter 206, subchapter 1;

Sec. 29. Maine Revised Statutes headnote amended; revision clause. In the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, chapter 206, subchapter 1, in the subchapter headnote, the words "municipal development districts" are amended to read "development districts for municipalities and plantations" and the Revisor of Statutes shall implement this revision when updating, publishing or republishing the statutes.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 102

H.P. 416 - L.D. 533

**An Act To Clarify the Use of
Tax Increment Financing
Funds for Recreational Development**

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

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §5225, sub-§1, ¶C, as amended by PL 2009, c. 314, §11, is further amended to read:

C. Costs related to economic development, environmental improvements, recreational trails or employment training within the municipality, including, but not limited to:

- (1) Costs of funding economic development programs or events developed by the municipality or funding the marketing of the municipality as a business or arts location;
- (2) Costs of funding environmental improvement projects developed by the municipality for commercial or arts district use or related to such activities;
- (3) Funding to establish permanent economic development revolving loan funds or investment funds;

(4) Costs of services to provide skills development and training for residents of the municipality. These costs may not exceed 20% of the total project costs and must be designated as training funds in the development program;

(5) Quality child care costs, including finance costs and construction, staffing, training, certification and accreditation costs related to child care;

(6) Costs ~~relating to planning, design, construction, maintenance, grooming and improvements to~~ associated with new or existing recreational trails determined by the department to have significant potential to promote economic development, including, but not limited to, costs for multiple projects and project phases that may include planning, design, construction, maintenance, grooming and improvements with respect to new or existing recreational trails, which may include bridges that are part of the trail corridor, used all or in part for all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles, hiking, bicycling, cross-country skiing or other related multiple uses; and

(7) Costs associated with a new or expanded transit service, limited to:

(a) Transit service capital costs, including but not limited to: transit vehicles such as buses, ferries, vans, rail conveyances and related equipment; bus shelters and other transit-related structures; and benches, signs and other transit-related infrastructure; and

(b) In the case of transit-oriented development districts, ongoing costs of adding to an existing transit system or creating a new transit service and limited strictly to transit operator salaries, transit vehicle fuel and transit vehicle parts replacements; and

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CHAPTER 103

H.P. 411 - L.D. 528

**An Act To Change the
Frequency of Alcoholic
Beverage Tastings Allowed in a
12-month Period**

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