

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
September 27, 2011

SECOND REGULAR SESSION
January 4, 2012 to May 31, 2012

THE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
LAWS IS
SEPTEMBER 28, 2011

THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR
SECOND REGULAR SESSION
NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS
AUGUST 30, 2012

PUBLISHED BY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine
2012

Part A, section 7 and who is unable to find employment in another position in state service is entitled to continued coverage under the state employee health insurance program under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 285, and the State shall continue to pay that employee's premium. Such an employee, for the sole purpose of receiving retiree health insurance under the state employee health insurance program, is deemed to have retired from state service.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved, except as otherwise indicated.

Effective April 24, 2012, unless otherwise indicated.

**CHAPTER 656
S.P. 635 - L.D. 1835**

**An Act To Restore Equity in
Revenue Sharing**

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

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §5681, sub-§2, ¶E, as amended by PL 2007, c. 662, §1, is further amended to read:

E. "Disproportionate tax burden" means the total real and personal property taxes assessed in the municipal fiscal year pertaining to the latest state valuation, except the taxes assessed on captured value within a tax increment financing district, divided by the latest state valuation certified to the Secretary of State and reduced by .01. Beginning on July 1, 2013 and each July 1st thereafter, if the total revenue-sharing distribution as calculated by subsection 5 is distributed to the municipalities without transfer or reduction, the reduction factor must be increased by either .0005 or the percentage increase necessary to equal the statewide average property tax rate, whichever increase is smaller, until the fiscal year when the percentage reduction factor reaches the statewide average property tax rate.

Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §5681, sub-§2, ¶F is enacted to read:

F. "Statewide average property tax rate" means the total real and personal property taxes assessed in all municipalities in the municipal fiscal year pertaining to the latest state valuation, except the taxes assessed on captured value within a tax increment financing district, divided by the total lat-

est state valuation certified to the Secretary of State.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 657
S.P. 600 - L.D. 1746**

**An Act To Make Supplemental
Appropriations and Allocations
for the Expenditures of State
Government and To Change
Certain Provisions of the Law
Necessary to the Proper
Operations of State
Government for the Fiscal
Year Ending June 30, 2013**

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

PART A

Sec. A-1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL
SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

Revenue Services, Bureau of 0002

Initiative: Provides funding for advertising and mailing costs to implement a use tax compliance program.

GENERAL FUND	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	\$0	\$330,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$330,000

Revenue Services, Bureau of 0002

Initiative: Provides funding to initiate an overtime project to enhance revenue discovery and revenue collections. The project will increase gross revenue from income and sales and use taxes by an estimated \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2012-13.

GENERAL FUND	2011-12	2012-13
Personal Services	\$0	\$210,000
All Other	\$0	\$20,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$230,000

Solid Waste Management Fund 0659

Initiative: Provides funding for the operation of the Dolby Landfill in the Town of East Millinocket.