

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2013**

Initiative: Allocates funds for the per diem and All Other costs associated with adding an additional member to the Board of Osteopathic Licensure and with rulemaking.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
Personal Services	\$495	\$660
All Other	\$4,663	\$2,884

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$5,158	\$3,544
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**PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
	\$12,083	\$9,444

<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$12,083</b>	<b>\$9,444</b>
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**CHAPTER 102  
H.P. 30 - L.D. 35**

**An Act To Amend the Law Concerning the Membership of the Maine Economic Growth Council**

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

**Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §929-A, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 420, §5, is further amended to read:

**2. Membership.** The council consists of 19 members. The Governor, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives shall jointly appoint the following 18 members, 2 of whom shall serve as cochairs of the council:

A. Thirteen members having a broad range of expertise in areas including but not limited to: labor, environment, business and education;

B. ~~Four members of the Legislature~~ Two members of the Senate with a demonstrated interest in economic development, one of whom belongs to the political party holding the largest number of seats in the Senate and one of whom belongs to

the political party holding the 2nd largest number of seats in the Senate; and

B-1. Two members of the House of Representatives with a demonstrated interest in economic development, one of whom belongs to the political party holding the largest number of seats in the House of Representatives and one of whom belongs to the political party holding the 2nd largest number of seats in the House of Representatives; and

C. One member from the Maine Innovation Economy Advisory Board under section 949.

The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development or the commissioner's designee is a member of the council.

**Sec. 2. 10 MRSA §929-A, sub-§3**, as repealed and replaced by PL 1997, c. 425, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**3. Appointments; terms.** This subsection governs the appointment and terms of members.

A. A member appointed pursuant to subsection 2, paragraph A or C serves a 3-year term and serves until a successor is appointed.

B. A member appointed pursuant to subsection 2, paragraph B or B-1 must be appointed no later than March 15th of the first year of the legislative biennium in which appointment is made and serves a 2-year term that begins on March 15th of the first year of the legislative biennium in which appointment is made, regardless of whether by the end of the term the member remains a Senator or a member of the House of Representatives.

**Sec. 3. Effective date.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2015.

Effective January 1, 2015.

**CHAPTER 103  
H.P. 573 - L.D. 822**

**An Act To Establish Invite Your Maine Legislator to School Month**

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

**Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §150-J** is enacted to read:

**§150-J. Invite Your Maine Legislator to School Month**

January is designated Invite Your Maine Legislator to School Month, and the Governor shall annually issue a proclamation inviting and urging teachers, school administrators and Legislators to observe this

month through appropriate activities, including inviting Legislators to visit school classrooms to meet with teachers, school administrators and students in order to promote increased knowledge among Legislators of the prekindergarten to grade 12 public education programs provided to students in their legislative districts.

Within available resources, the Department of Education shall make appropriate information available to teachers, school administrators and students through the department's publicly accessible website.

**Sec. 2. Partnership with education stakeholders.** The Department of Education may partner with education stakeholder groups, including, but not limited to, Educate Maine and the Maine Development Foundation, to provide appropriate information that encourages teachers, school administrators and students to participate in the Invite Your Maine Legislator to School Month established in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 150-J.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 104  
H.P. 192 - L.D. 231**

**An Act To Support the  
Permanent Commission on the  
Status of Women**

**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 Permanent Commission on the Status of Women is in need of funding to print and distribute its required biennial report to the Governor and the Legislature in a timely manner; 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. 5 MRSA §7030-C,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 191, §1, is amended to read:

**§7030-C. Chair**

The Governor shall select from among the members of the commission a chair ~~and a vice chair, both of whom shall serve for one year. These selections must be made each year prior to the first meeting of the commission.~~ The chair is authorized to appoint subcommittees.

**Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §7030-D,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 191, §1, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

The commission may accept funds from the Federal Government, from a political subdivision of the State or from an individual, a foundation or a corporation and may expend funds for purposes that are consistent with this chapter. Funds received under this section must be deposited in a nonlapsing Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of the Secretary of State to support the work of the commission.

**Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**SECRETARY OF STATE, DEPARTMENT OF  
Bureau of Administrative Services and Corporations 0692**

Initiative: Creates the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women account with a base allocation.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2013-14	2014-15
All Other	\$500	\$500
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$500	\$500

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

Effective May 20, 2013.

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**CHAPTER 105  
H.P. 286 - L.D. 411**

**An Act To Amend the Health  
Care Practitioner Licensing,  
Disciplinary and Reporting  
Laws Regarding Alcohol and  
Drug Abuse**

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

**Sec. 1. 24 MRSA §2504,** as enacted by PL 1977, c. 492, §3, is amended to read:

**§2504. Professional societies**

Every state professional society shall establish a professional competence committee of its members pursuant to written bylaws approved by the society's governing board. The committee shall receive, investigate and determine the accuracy of any report made to