

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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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.

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
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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.

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