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Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4710-A is enacted to read:

§4710-A. Agricultural studies

- 1. Agricultural studies. Agricultural studies may be taught in and infused or integrated into the curriculum of public and private elementary and secondary schools. Agricultural studies may address, but need not be limited to:
 - A. The importance of agriculture in the State's history and development;
 - B. The connections between the farm and daily life;
 - C. The economics of agriculture and its importance to the State's economy;
 - D. The importance of knowing where food comes from and the ecology of growing food; and
 - E. The importance of eating healthy food and its role in combating childhood obesity.

A school offering agricultural studies may make use of resources and materials developed and provided by the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and the Maine Agriculture in the Classroom Council in accordance with Title 7, chapter 8-D.

Sec. 2. Agricultural studies instruction. To the extent existing resources allow, the Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and the Maine Agriculture in the Classroom Council described in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 242, shall seek to ensure that schools and teachers in this State are aware of the agricultural education materials, resources and training available pursuant to Title 7, chapter 8-D and shall encourage their use in agricultural studies in schools.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 107 H.P. 446 - L.D. 654

An Act Regarding the Maximum Rate of Speed on the Interstate Highway System

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

- **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2073, sub-§1, ¶C,** as amended by PL 2011, c. 415, §2, is further amended to read:
 - C. Make an adjustment of maximum rates of speed. An adjustment under this paragraph is exempt from the provisions of the Maine Administrative Procedure Act.

The commissioner may not set maximums that exceed 60 miles per hour or, on the interstate system or other divided controlled-access highways, 65 75 miles per hour or 75 miles per hour on the Interstate Highway System from the City of Old Town to the Town of Houlton.

The commissioner may not set maximums for the Maine Turnpike.

- **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2074, sub-§3-A,** as amended by PL 2011, c. 415, §3, is further amended to read:
- **3-A. Minimum fine.** A person who operates a motor vehicle on the Maine Turnpike or the Interstate Highway System at a speed that exceeds the posted speed of 65 miles per hour or of 75 miles per hour on the Interstate Highway System from the City of Old Town to the Town of Houlton by less than 30 miles per hour commits a traffic infraction punishable by a fine of not less than \$50.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 108 S.P. 39 - L.D. 88

An Act To Update the Maine HIV Advisory Committee

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

- **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §19202, sub-§1-B, ¶D,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 203, §2 and affected by §8, is amended to read:
 - D. Prepare and present, in person, an annual report on the status of HIV in the State to the Office of the Governor and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters by January 31st March 1st of each year.
- **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §19202, sub-§2-B, ¶B,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 203, §4 and affected by §8, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
 - B. The committee shall identify 12 additional voting representatives for membership as described in this paragraph, with broad input from persons with HIV or at risk for HIV infection or from organizations with extensive participation of persons with HIV, organizations interested in and working on HIV and AIDS prevention and health, other community-based organizations providing HIV and AIDS services, rural health centers and the public:
 - (1) Four persons living with HIV/AIDS;