

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
**December 5, 2012 to July 10, 2013**

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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**

Personal Services	\$133,926	\$0
All Other	(\$133,926)	\$0
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OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	\$0
<b>COMPETITIVE SKILLS SCHOLARSHIP FUND</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	1.000	0.000
Personal Services	\$324,937	\$0
All Other	(\$324,937)	\$0
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COMPETITIVE SKILLS SCHOLARSHIP FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$0
<b>LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$0	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$0
COMPETITIVE SKILLS SCHOLARSHIP FUND	\$0	\$0
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$0

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

Effective July 16, 2013.

**CHAPTER 423**

**H.P. 972 - L.D. 1364**

**An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Hospital and Therapeutic Leave Days for MaineCare Recipients**

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** this legislation eliminates language requiring retroactive application of the adjustment in therapeutic leave days and hospital leave days that was enacted in Public Law 2013, chapter 368; 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. PL 2013, c. 368, Pt. LLLLL, §1, under the caption "HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY DHS)," in the first occurrence of that part relating to "Nursing Facilities 0148," is amended by amending the initiative paragraph to read:**

Initiative: Adjusts funding by limiting therapeutic leave days in the MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 45 and Section 67, to 7 hospital leave days per hospital visit and 20 therapeutic leave days per year effective retroactively to ~~March 25~~ April 1, 2013.

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

Effective July 16, 2013.

**CHAPTER 424**

**H.P. 1103 - L.D. 1536**

**An Act To Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine**

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** acts of this and previous Legislatures have resulted in certain technical errors and inconsistencies in the laws of Maine; and

**Whereas,** these errors and inconsistencies create uncertainties and confusion in interpreting legislative intent; and

**Whereas,** it is vitally necessary that these uncertainties and this confusion be resolved in order to prevent any injustice or hardship to the citizens of Maine; and

**Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of