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~~schedule agreed upon by the Department of Health and Human Services and the department and based on documentation of payments made from MaineCare funds in a manner that remains in compliance with federal intergovernmental transfer requirements. No later than 90 days after the incurrence of allowable school-based payments to schools, the Department of Health and Human Services shall provide the detailed payment information to the department. The department shall make this information available and apply the adjustment to the appropriate school administrative units within 30 days of receipt of the detailed payment information from the Department of Health and Human Services.~~

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CHAPTER 64

H.P. 284 - L.D. 417

An Act Regarding Measures To Ensure Support for Students' Financial Literacy

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §254, sub-§13, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 154, §1, is amended to read:

13. Technical assistance; integrated model for instruction in personal finance. The commissioner shall develop a program of technical assistance that promotes the importance of financial literacy and encourages school administrative units to implement an integrated model for instruction in personal finance that may be used in secondary schools as part of the instruction in social studies or mathematics required by section 4722, subsection 2, paragraphs B and C. The commissioner, in consultation with the Finance Authority of Maine, the Office of Securities within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Jobs for Maine's Graduates, organizations representing banks, credit unions and financial professionals and other interested organizations promoting personal finance initiatives, shall prepare and distribute annually, in January, a report to school boards and superintendents that includes strategies and resources available to implement an integrated model for instruction in personal finance for use in secondary schools. The annual report must also be provided to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters, and the department shall post the report on its publicly accessible website. The commissioner shall identify best practices to support students' financial literacy for those school administrative units that elect to offer financial literacy education pursuant to this subsection.

Sec. 2. Report. The Commissioner of Education shall submit the 2016 annual report required under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 254, subsection 13 to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs by January 13, 2016. The report must include the findings of the interagency collaboration review, including the strategies and resources available to implement an integrated model for instruction in personal finance for use in secondary schools and the best practices available to support students' financial literacy.

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CHAPTER 65

H.P. 300 - L.D. 461

An Act To Change the Notification Deadline for the Nonrenewal of a Teacher's Contract

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13201, 2nd ¶, as amended by PL 2011, c. 420, Pt. F, §1 and affected by §2, is further amended to read:

After a probationary period of 3 years, subsequent contracts of duly certified teachers must be for not less than 2 years. Unless a duly certified teacher receives written notice to the contrary at least 6 months before the terminal date of the contract, the contract must be extended automatically for one year and similarly in subsequent years, except for duly certified teachers who received a summative effectiveness rating indicating ineffectiveness pursuant to chapter 508 for the preceding school year. The right to an extension for a longer period of time through a new contract is specifically reserved to the contracting parties. Unless a duly certified teacher who received a summative effectiveness rating indicating ineffectiveness pursuant to chapter 508 for the preceding school year receives written notice to the contrary from the superintendent not later than May 15th, the contract must be extended automatically for one year.

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CHAPTER 66

H.P. 416 - L.D. 603

An Act To Achieve Regional Uniformity in Sulfur Standards for Heating Oil