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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

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

**Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §603-A, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 2013, c. 300, §15, is further amended to read:

**2. Prohibitions.** Except as provided in subsections 4 and 9, a person may not ~~use~~ import, distribute or offer for sale any liquid fossil fuel with a sulfur content exceeding the limits in paragraph A or any solid fossil fuel with a sulfur content to heat content ratio exceeding the limits of paragraph B.

A. The sulfur content for liquid fossil fuels is as follows.

(1) In the Central Maine, Downeast, Aroostook County and Northwest Maine Air Quality Control Regions and the Metropolitan Portland Air Quality Control Region outside the Portland Peninsula Air Quality Control Region, a person may not ~~use~~ distribute or offer for sale any residual fuel oil with a sulfur content greater than 2.0% by weight; beginning ~~January~~ July 1, 2018, the limit for those regions is 0.5% by weight.

(2) In the Portland Peninsula Air Quality Control Region, a person may not ~~use~~ distribute or offer for sale any residual fuel oil with a sulfur content greater than 1.5% by weight; beginning ~~January~~ July 1, 2018, the limit for that region is 0.5% by weight.

(3) Statewide, a person may not ~~use~~ import, distribute or offer for sale a distillate fuel:

(a) ~~Beginning July 1, 2016, with a sulfur content greater than 0.005% by weight; and~~

(b) Beginning ~~January~~ July 1, 2018, with a sulfur content greater than 0.0015% by weight.

The sulfur content requirements in this subparagraph do not apply to the use of distillate fuel for manufacturing purposes.

B. The sulfur content for solid fossil fuels is as follows:

(1) One and two-tenths pounds sulfur per million British Thermal Units until November 1, 1991, and .96 pounds sulfur per million British Thermal Units thereafter, calculated as a calendar quarter average for sources in the Central Maine, Downeast, Aroostook County, Northwest Maine Air Quality Control Regions and that portion of the Metropolitan Portland Air Quality Region outside the Portland Peninsula Air Quality Region. A calendar quarter is composed of the months as follows: (1) January, February, March; (2)

April, May, June; (3) July, August, September; and (4) October, November, December; and

(2) Seventy-two hundredths pounds sulfur per million British Thermal Units calculated as a calendar quarter average for sources in the Portland Peninsula Air Quality Region. A calendar quarter is composed of the months as follows: (1) January, February, March; (2) April, May, June; (3) July, August, September; and (4) October, November, December.

**Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §603-A, sub-§9**, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 604, §2, is amended to read:

**9. Equivalent alternative sulfur reduction application.** The department shall adopt major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A that provide an opportunity for a licensed air contamination source that holds a license on the effective date of this subsection to apply for an equivalent alternative sulfur reduction strategy to the residual fuel oil and distillate fuel requirements in subsection 2. The rules must provide for the achievement of equivalent sulfur emission reductions through other means, including, but not limited to, reductions in consumption of residual fuel oil and distillate fuel, early sulfur emission reductions from a baseline emissions inventory year of 2002 and conversions to alternative fuels. The department shall submit the major substantive rules to the Legislature by January 31, 2014. Approved alternate sulfur reduction strategies must be in effect by ~~January~~ July 1, 2018.

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## CHAPTER 67

### S.P. 65 - L.D. 190

#### An Act To Add Certain Capital Goods to the Product Stewardship Exclusions

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

**Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1774, sub-§§1 and 2**, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 516, §1, are amended to read:

**1. Motor vehicles and watercraft.** Motor vehicles as defined in Title 29-A, section 101, subsection 42 and watercraft as defined in Title 12, section 13001, subsection 28 or their component parts; ~~and~~

**2. Pulp and paper manufacturers.** Pulp and paper manufacturers except conversion facilities for consumer product packaging; ~~and~~

**Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §1774, sub-§3** is enacted to read: