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- (8) Title 7-A;
- C. Exceptions codified in the following Titles are scheduled to be reviewed by the review committee no later than 2021:
 - (1) Title 8;
 - (2) Title 9-A;
 - (3) Title 9-B;
 - (4) Title 10;
 - (5) Title 11; and
 - (6) Title 12;
- D. Exceptions codified in the following Titles are scheduled to be reviewed by the review committee no later than 2023:
 - (1) Title 13;
 - (2) Title 13-B;
 - (3) Title 13-C;
 - (4) Title 14;
 - (5) Title 15;
 - (6) Title 16;
 - (7) Title 17;
 - (8) Title 17-A;
 - (9) Title 18-A;
 - (10) Title 18-B;
 - (11) Title 19-A;
 - (12) Title 20-A; and
 - (13) Title 21-A;
- E. Exceptions codified in the following Titles are scheduled to be reviewed by the review committee no later than 2025:
 - (1) Title 22;
 - (2) Title 22-A;
 - (3) Title 23;
 - (4) Title 24; and
 - (5) Title 24-A;
- F. Exceptions codified in the following Titles are scheduled to be reviewed by the review committee no later than 2027:
 - (1) Title 25;
 - (2) Title 26;
 - (3) Title 27;
 - (4) Title 28-A;
 - (5) Title 29-A;

- (6) Title 30;
- (7) Title 30-A;
- (8) Title 31; and
- (9) Title 32; and
- G. Exceptions codified in the following Titles are scheduled to be reviewed by the review committee no later than 2029:
 - (1) Title 33;
 - (2) Title 34-A;
 - (3) Title 34-B;
 - (4) Title 35-A;
 - (5) Title 36;
 - (6) Title 37-B;
 - (7) Title 38; and
 - (8) Title 39-A.

Sec. D-3. 1 MRSA §433, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 631, §5, is amended to read:

3. Scheduling changes. The advisory committee may make adjustments to the scheduling guidelines provided in subsection 2 2-A as it determines appropriate and shall notify the review committee of such adjustments.

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CHAPTER 251 H.P. 805 - L.D. 1173

An Act To Improve School Administrative Efficiency and Expand Capacity for Professional Growth for Educators with Regional Collaborative Programs and Services

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

- **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §2601, sub-§2, ¶B,** as enacted by PL 2007, c. 240, Pt. XXXX, §22, is amended to read:
 - B. Agreements for shared staff or staff training, including collaborative programs and support services;
- **Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §2602,** as enacted by PL 2007, c. 240, Pt. XXXX, §22, is amended to read:

§2602. Development of collaborative agreements

A school administrative unit may enter into collaborative agreements with other school administrative units and, whenever possible, with local and county governments and State Government or with any public institution of higher education or nonprofit corporation, to achieve efficiencies and reduce costs in the delivery of administrative, instructional and noninstructional functions.

- **Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §2651, sub-§1,** as enacted by PL 2011, c. 446, §1, is amended to read:
- **1. Fund created.** The Fund for the Efficient Delivery of Educational Services, referred to in this chapter as "the fund" is created to assist in financing the cost of local and regional initiatives to improve educational opportunity and student achievement through more efficient delivery of educational <u>programs and</u> services. The fund is a dedicated, nonlapsing account within the department.
- **Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §2651, sub-§2,** as amended by PL 2013, c. 303, §1, is further amended to read:
- 2. Use of fund. The department shall award grants from the fund to school administrative units, municipalities, counties and groups of 2 or more such entities, including such groups that have entered into a collaborative agreement pursuant to chapter 114, to fund the costs of implementing changes in governance, administrative structures or policies that result in the creation of consolidated school administrative units; purchasing alliances; innovative, autonomous public schools, teacher-led schools, innovative public school districts or innovative public school zones; regional delivery of collaborative programs and educational services; or collaborations of municipal-school service delivery or support systems, with the purpose of improving educational opportunity and student achievement. Grants must be used to implement changes that will be sustained by the school administrative unit, municipality or county without the need for additional grants from the fund or other sources.
- **Sec. 5. 20-A MRSA §2651, sub-§3, ¶B-1** is enacted to read:
 - B-1. Facilitate the transformation of the public education system to one in which standards are used to guide curriculum and instruction and in which student advancement and graduation are based on student demonstration of proficiency in meeting educational standards;
- **Sec. 6. 20-A MRSA §2651, sub-§3,** ¶**C,** as enacted by PL 2011, c. 446, §1, is amended to read:
 - C. Expand access to <u>high-quality</u> professional development, training and support for teachers and school administrators initiatives aligned with evidence-based best practices that can be linked to

improvements in student learning and expansion of opportunities for professional growth for teachers and principals pursuant to chapter 508; more fully integrate educational technology and expand access to online and digital learning opportunities; improve management and use of data to enhance instruction and increase student achievement; broaden access to opportunities for career and technical education; expand access to early college opportunities for high school students; or increase student choice; or

- **Sec. 7. 20-A MRSA §2651, sub-§5,** as enacted by PL 2011, c. 446, §1, is amended to read:
- **5. Rules.** Rules adopted <u>or amended</u> by the department to implement this section are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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CHAPTER 252 H.P. 843 - L.D. 1225

An Act Concerning Swim Area Permits

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §1896, as amended by PL 2001, c. 693, §3 and affected by §11 and amended by PL 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §7 and PL 2013, c. 405, Pt. A, §24, is further amended to read:

§1896. Boating Facilities Fund

There is created within the bureau the Boating Facilities Fund, referred to in this subchapter as the "fund." The fund, as funded under Title 36, section 2903-D, subsection 1, must be available to the director in carrying out the duties of the bureau under this subchapter. This fund is a continuous carrying account. The fund also receives fees collected under subchapter 10 and is available to the director in carrying out the duties specified under subchapter 10.

- **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §1900, sub-§§3 to 5,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 312, §1, are amended to read:
- **3. Swim area prohibition.** A person may not establish or maintain a swim line or a developed swim area without a permit issued under subsection 4.
 - A. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 or more than \$500 may be adjudged. Each day a person violates this subsection is a separate violation.
 - B. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or