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section are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §299-A is enacted to read:

§299-A. Wine auctions

A person licensed under section 285 may not auction privately held wine without a permit issued by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations according to Title 28-A, section 1209.

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Alcoholic Beverages - General Operation 0015

Initiative: Provides funds to establish a new Office Associate II position.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	1.000	1.000
Personal Services	\$44,647	\$60,981
All Other	\$3,734	\$4,979
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$48,381	\$65,960

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 367 H.P. 574 - L.D. 840

An Act To Collect and Report Data on the Implementation of Proficiency-based Diplomas and Standards-based Student Learning

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4722-A, sub-§5 is enacted to read:

5. Implementation of proficiency-based diplomas. Beginning in the 2015-2016 school year, the department shall annually collect and report data on the progress of public schools and public charter schools towards the implementation of proficiency-based diplomas in relation to the ongoing transition plan required pursuant to section 4502, subsection 1, including the number of students graduating with proficiency-based diplomas and the number of students awarded proficiency in each of the content areas of the system of learning results established under

section 6209 and in each of the guiding principles set forth in department rules governing implementation of the system of learning results established pursuant to section 6209. By January 15, 2017, and annually thereafter, the department shall provide an annual report of the data collected for the prior school year to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters, and the department shall post the annual report on its publicly accessible website.

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CHAPTER 368 H.P. 520 - L.D. 767

An Act To Create Jobs in Aroostook and Washington Counties

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

- Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §5250-I, sub-§5-B is enacted to read:
- **5-B.** Call center. "Call center" means a business enterprise that employs 50 or more full-time employees for the purpose of customer service.
- **Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §5250-I, sub-§18,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 351, §4 and affected by §26, is further amended to read:
- **Oualified Pine Tree Development Zone** employees. "Qualified Except for employees in call centers in Aroostook and Washington counties, "qualified Pine Tree Development Zone employees" means new, full-time employees hired in this State by a qualified Pine Tree Development Zone business for work directly in one or more qualified business activities for whom a retirement program subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, 29 United States Code, Sections 101 to 1461, as amended, and group health insurance are provided and whose income derived from employment within the Pine Tree Development Zone, calculated on a calendar year basis, is greater than the most recent annual per capita personal income in the county in which the qualified employee is employed. "Qualified Pine Tree Development Zone employees" does not include employees shifted to a qualified business activity from a nonqualified activity of the qualified Pine Tree Development Zone business or an affiliated business. The commissioner shall determine whether a shifting of employees has occurred.

For employees in call centers in Aroostook and Washington counties, "qualified Pine Tree Development Zone employees" means new, full-time employees hired in this State by a qualified Pine Tree Develop-