# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## **LAWS**

### **OF THE**

# STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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Augusta, Maine 2016

## CHAPTER 476 H.P. 1022 - L.D. 1499

# An Act To Increase the Safety of Social Workers

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §7032 is enacted to read:

#### §7032. Addresses confidential

The address and telephone number of an applicant for licensure or a person licensed under this chapter that are in the possession of the board are confidential. Nothing in this section prohibits the board and its staff from using and disclosing the address and telephone number of an applicant or licensee as necessary to perform the duties and functions of the board.

See title page for effective date.

### CHAPTER 477 H.P. 1115 - L.D. 1638

An Act To Increase Payments to MaineCare Providers That Are Subject to Maine's Service Provider Tax

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

Whereas, the State's MaineCare providers that are subject to the service provider tax have experienced an increase in the tax since January 1, 2016; and

Whereas, MaineCare providers have insufficient reserves to withstand cost increases; and

Whereas, private nonmedical institutions and other facilities provide services to Maine's vulnerable citizens, including children, individuals with substance use disorders, and adults with intellectual disabilities and autistic disorder; and

Whereas, private nonmedical institutions and other facilities that provide such services need increased funding to continue providing those services; 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. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

#### HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY BDS)

#### Developmental Services Waiver - MaineCare 0987

Initiative: Provides funding for additional payments to providers.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$261,418	\$1,002,949
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$261,418	\$1,002,949

#### **Medicaid Services - Developmental Services 0705**

Initiative: Provides funding for additional payments to providers.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$5,843	\$22,415
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$5,843	\$22,415
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$51,183	\$204,732
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$51,183	\$204,732

## Mental Health Services - Community Medicaid 0732

Initiative: Provides funding for additional payments to providers.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$70,040	\$268,714
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$70,040	\$268,714
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$13,413	\$53,653
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$13,413	\$53,653

Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services - Medicaid Seed 0844