# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## **LAWS**

### **OF THE**

## STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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Augusta, Maine 2015

**Sec. 7. Report. Resolved:** That, no later than December 2, 2015, the working group shall submit a report that includes its findings and recommendations, including suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. The committee may submit legislation related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.

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## CHAPTER 50 H.P. 920 - L.D. 1350

Resolve, To Increase the Reimbursement Rate for Direct-care Workers Serving Adults with Long-term Care Needs

- **Sec. 1. Reimbursement. Resolved:** That the Department of Health and Human Services shall amend its rules to increase reimbursement rates for home-based and community-based services in accordance with this section. The department shall raise the hourly reimbursement rate for the following services:
- 1. Attendant Care Services provided under the provisions of Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 12, Consumer Directed Attendant Services; and be it further
- Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

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

#### **Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147**

Initiative: Provides funding to increase the reimbursement rates for Attendant Care Services provided under Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 12, Consumer Directed Attendant Services.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$125,000	\$125,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$125,000	\$125,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$208,067	\$209,851

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL

\$208,067

\$209,851

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## CHAPTER 51 S.P. 99 - L.D. 261

Resolve, Directing the Maine Arts Commission, the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the Maine State Museum Commission To Study the Replacement of Statues in the National Statuary Hall Collection

- Sec. 1. Maine Arts Commission, Maine Historic Preservation Commission and Maine State Museum Commission to study replacement of statues in the National Statuary Hall Collection. Resolved: That the Maine Arts Commission, the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the Maine State Museum Commission, referred to in this resolve as "the cultural commissions," shall study and develop recommendations regarding the potential replacement of one or both statues currently in the National Statuary Hall Collection in the United States Capitol, including the following:
- 1. The public's interest in replacing one or both statues contributed by Maine currently in the National Statuary Hall Collection;
- 2. The public's interest in installing the statue of Governor William King, which is currently in the National Statuary Hall, in the Maine State House for Maine's bicentennial in 2020;
- 3. The public's interest in reinstalling the statue of Governor William King in the National Statuary Hall after Maine's bicentennial if the statue is installed in the Maine State House for Maine's bicentennial;
- 4. The necessary procedures for accomplishing the replacement of the statues in the National Statuary Hall:
- 5. The necessary procedures for accomplishing installation of the statue of Governor William King in the Maine State House and reinstallation of the statue in the National Statuary Hall after Maine's bicentennial; and
- 6. The feasibility of accomplishing the tasks recommended by the cultural commissions study as a result of this resolve, including potential costs and sources of outside funding.

The cultural commissions may invite input from Legislators and state agencies in fulfilling the requirements of this resolve; and be it further

Sec. 2. Reporting date established. Resolved: That the cultural commissions shall report their findings, including recommendations and any recommended legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs by January 15, 2016. The Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs may report out a bill relating to the subject matter of this report to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature; and be it further

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

### ARTS COMMISSION, MAINE

#### **Arts - Administration 0178**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the cost to study and develop recommendations regarding replacement of one or both statues in the National Statuary Hall Collection in the United States Capitol.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$3,000	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$3,000	\$0

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## CHAPTER 52 H.P. 285 - L.D. 418

Resolve, To Study the Use of Social Impact Bonds as a Funding Mechanism for Public Education Programs in Maine

Sec. 1. Education Research Institute to study use of social impact bonds to fund extended learning programs and prekindergarten programs. Resolved: That the Education Research Institute, as established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 10, shall study the use of social impact bonds to fund extended learning programs and prekindergarten programs. For purposes of this resolve, "social impact bond" means a performance-based bond that operates over a fixed period of time and for which repayment to an investor is contingent upon a specific social outcome being achieved and "extended learning program" means a program that creates educational opportunities for students whose educational needs and abilities exceed

those addressed by the general curriculum. A social impact bond generally involves a government entity partnering with a service provider or outside investor that provides the financing for the project or service that is the object of the bond with the government entity not being required to pay back the bond unless success is demonstrated by a measurable outcome; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That the Education Research Institute shall submit a report with respect to the study under section 1 and any recommended legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs by December 2, 2015. The Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs may report out a bill based upon the report to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.

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## CHAPTER 53 S.P. 429 - L.D. 1202

#### Resolve, To Ensure the Stocking of Inland Waters in the State

- Sec. 1. Engineering study; purchase fish for stocking. Resolved: That, notwithstanding any other law, during fiscal year 2015-16, the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife may spend up to \$700,000 from the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife carrying account, General Fund account within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to do the following:
- 1. Contract for an engineering study regarding upgrading the Grand Lake Stream Fish Hatchery. The study must include, but is not limited to, an analysis of the feasibility and cost of a new cold water supply to that hatchery to raise fall yearly brook trout;
- 2. Contract for an engineering study regarding the construction of a new fish hatchery in the State. The study must also include a comparative analysis on whether the State can best achieve its fish stocking objectives through the construction of a new fish hatchery or through upgrades to existing state-owned fish hatcheries; and
- 3. Use any funds authorized pursuant to this resolve in excess of the amount needed to conduct the engineering studies described in subsections 1 and 2 to purchase fish to stock the inland waters of the State; and be it further
- **Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That, no later than February 1, 2016, the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall submit a report regarding its progress on meeting the provisions of this resolve, includ-