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# **LAWS**

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to undertake long-range planning and research, including planning for construction, renovation and reconstruction projects and report findings and recommendations to the board of trustees;

**Sec. 14. 20-A MRSA §12713,** as amended by PL 1989, c. 878, Pt. I, §11, is further amended to read:

#### §12713. Presidents' council

The administrative presidents' council shall be is a nonvoting, advisory council composed of the presidents of the colleges to advise the board of trustees and the president of the system. The administrative presidents' council shall advise the president of the system in the performance of the duties assigned under this chapter and shall make recommendations to the president of the system and the board of trustees with respect to the administration of the colleges, courses of study, educational programs, curricula, coordination of programs between the colleges, coordination with other institutions of higher learning and other educational and training institutions and other matters as requested by the president of the system or the board of trustees.

**Sec. 15. 20-A MRSA §12716, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 1989, c. 443, §52, is further amended to read:

1. Scholarships and campus employment. The board of trustees shall develop and administer a program programs of scholarships and campus employment for college students. Awards shall Scholarships must be based on evidence of individual need and worth.

Students selected to receive a scholarship shall or campus employment must fulfill the following qualifications:

- A. Show evidence of the qualifications necessary to complete a course of study successfully and to become a competent technical or craft worker in an industrial, administrative, technical or trade pursuit;
- B. Show demonstrated ability and willingness to support the expenses of education and training; and
- C. Show For scholarship recipients, show demonstrated need of financial assistance to help pay the cost of college attendance or, in the case of oncampus employment programs, demonstrate the ability to benefit from the increased engagement that such programs provide.

**Sec. 16. 20-A MRSA §12722, sub-§9** is enacted to read:

9. Hardship distributions. The board of trustees may make hardship distributions from any of the accumulated assets in a defined contribution retirement

plan account or accounts in accordance with federal regulations.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 180 H.P. 697 - L.D. 996

An Act To Maintain the Current Number of Appointees to the Maine Arts Commission

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

**Sec. 1. 27 MRSA §401,** as corrected by RR 2011, c. 2, §34, is amended to read:

#### §401. Commission

A state commission, to be known as the "Maine Arts Commission," as established by Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 7-B, must consist of not less more than 15 nor more than 21 members, each of whom must have a continuing interest in the fields of art and culture in the State, to be appointed by the Governor from among citizens of Maine. In making such appointments, due consideration must be given to the recommendations made by representative civic, educational and professional associations and groups concerned with or engaged in artistic and cultural fields generally.

See title page for effective date.

### CHAPTER 181 H.P. 620 - L.D. 871

An Act To Require Disclosures Relating to the Sale of Residential Property Accessible by a Public Way and Any Means Other than a Public Way

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

**Sec. 1. 33 MRSA §173, sub-§4, ¶D,** as enacted by PL 1999, c. 476, §1, is amended to read:

D. Underground oil storage tanks as required under Title 38, section 563, subsection 6; and

**Sec. 2. 33 MRSA §173, sub-§5,** as enacted by PL 1999, c. 476, §1, is amended to read:

5. Known defects. Any known defects:; and

Sec. 3. 33 MRSA §173, sub-§6 is enacted to read: