

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2019**

prints taken pursuant to subsection 1, paragraph Q must be transmitted immediately to the State Bureau of Identification to enable the bureau to conduct state and national criminal history record checks for the State Board of Nursing, established in Title 32, chapter 31. Fingerprints taken pursuant to subsection 1, paragraph O must be transmitted immediately to the State Bureau of Identification to enable the bureau to conduct state and national criminal history record checks under Title 28-B, section 204. Fingerprints taken pursuant to subsection 1, paragraph R or T must be transmitted immediately to the State Bureau of Identification to enable the bureau to conduct state and national criminal history record checks for the Department of Health and Human Services.

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## CHAPTER 400

S.P. 607 - L.D. 1794

### An Act To Amend the Service Fee for Child Support Services

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

**Sec. 1. 19-A MRSA §2103, sub-§3-A**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 477, Pt. L, §2, is further amended to read:

**3-A. Service fee.** In the case of an individual who has never received assistance under a state program and for whom the State has collected at least ~~\$500~~ \$550 in child support, the State shall impose an annual ~~\$25~~ \$35 fee for each child support enforcement case that is:

- A. Retained by the State from child support collected on behalf of the individual after the collected support exceeds ~~\$500~~ \$550;
- B. Paid by the individual applying for services;
- C. Recovered from the noncustodial parent; or
- D. Paid by the State out of its own funds. The annual fee may not be considered as an administrative cost of the State for operation of child support enforcement services and must be considered income to the program under which the individual has received child support enforcement services.

The nonfederal share of the annual fee collected pursuant to this subsection must be deposited as General Fund undedicated revenue.

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## CHAPTER 401

### H.P. 1279 - L.D. 1798

### An Act To Amend the Maine Tax Laws

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

#### PART A

**Sec. A-1. 36 MRSA §192, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 364, §19, is amended to read:

**2. Facsimile signature.** A facsimile of the written signature of the State Tax Assessor imprinted by or at ~~his the State Tax Assessor's~~ direction ~~upon any license, registration certificate, notice of assessment or statutory demand notice issued by him under authority of this Title shall have~~ has the same validity as ~~his the State Tax Assessor's~~ written signature.

**Sec. A-2. 36 MRSA §208**, as amended by PL 2017, c. 288, Pt. A, §36, is further amended to read:

#### §208. Equalization

The State Tax Assessor has the duty of equalizing the state and county taxes among the several towns and unorganized territory. The State Tax Assessor shall equalize and adjust the assessment list of each town, by adding to or deducting from it such amount as will make it equal to its just value as of April 1st. Notice of the proposed valuations of municipalities within each county must be sent annually ~~by certified mail~~ to the chair of the board of assessors, and chair of the board of selectmen in municipalities having selectmen, of each municipality within that county on or before the first day of October. The valuation so determined is subject to review by the State Board of Property Tax Review pursuant to subchapter 2-A, but the valuation finally certified to the Secretary of State pursuant to section 381 must be used for all computations required by law to be based upon the state valuation with respect to municipalities.

**Sec. A-3. 36 MRSA §209** is enacted to read:

#### §209. Adjustment for audits; determination of the State Tax Assessor

**1. Audits.** If the State Tax Assessor determines that value was improperly excluded from any of the 3 most recently certified state valuations, the State Tax Assessor shall recalculate the equalized just value of that municipality to reflect the requirements of section 305.

A municipality that is aggrieved by a determination of the State Tax Assessor under this section may appeal pursuant to section 272-A.

**2. Notifications.** If an adjustment is made to a municipality's equalized municipal valuation pursuant