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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine
2019

HIGHWAY FUND	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$0	\$56,779
HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$56,779

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**CHAPTER 419
S.P. 28 - L.D. 75**

An Act To Protect Earned Pay

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §1193, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2011, c. 645, §8, is further amended to read:

5. Receiving remuneration. For any week with respect to which the individual is receiving, has been scheduled to receive or has received remuneration in the form of:

A. Dismissal wages, wages in lieu of notice, or terminal pay ~~or holiday pay; or~~

~~A-1. Any vacation pay in an amount exceeding the equivalent of 4 weeks' wages for that individual; or~~

B. Benefits under the unemployment compensation or employment security law of any state or similar law of the United States.

If the remuneration under paragraph A is less than the benefits that would otherwise be due under this chapter, the individual is entitled to receive for that week, if otherwise eligible, benefits reduced by the amount of the remuneration, rounded to the nearest lower full dollar amount. ~~Earned vacation pay that is paid to the individual prior to the individual's being notified orally or in writing by the employer of the employer's intent to sever the employment relationship is not considered remuneration for purposes of this subsection;~~

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**CHAPTER 420
H.P. 64 - L.D. 78**

An Act To Facilitate Access to the MaineCare Family Planning Benefit

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3173-G, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 356, §1 and affected by §4, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§3173-G. Medicaid coverage for reproductive health care and family planning services

1. Family planning benefit. The department shall provide for the delivery of federally approved Medicaid services to a qualified adult or adolescent whose individual income is equal to or below 209% of the nonfarm income official poverty line for reproductive health care and family planning services, as described in 42 United States Code, Section 1396d(a)(4)(C), including pregnancy prevention, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infection or cancer and access to contraception, in accordance with the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148, as amended by the federal Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Public Law 111-152.

2. Presumptive eligibility. If a MaineCare provider determines that an adult or adolescent is likely to be eligible for services under this section, the provider must be reimbursed for services provided under this section until the department determines that the adult or adolescent is not eligible. The department shall implement this subsection in accordance with 42 United States Code, Section 1396r-1.

3. Rules. The department shall adopt routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A to carry out the provisions of this section.

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**CHAPTER 421
H.P. 139 - L.D. 176**

An Act To Enhance Participation on the State Board of Education

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §401, sub-§2, as amended by PL 2007, c. 179, §2, is further amended to read:

2. Composition. ~~The membership of the state board must be broadly representative of the geographic regions of the State and of municipalities of varying sizes. A person whose income is derived in substantial portion from work as a teacher or as an administrator in an educational institution is not eligible for appointment to or service on the state board. Members must have a strong interest in and knowledge of education.~~

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §401, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. Release time for state board meeting attendance. A teacher or administrator serving on the state board must be granted release time for attendance at state board meetings. The state board is responsible for the cost of any substitute teacher for a teacher granted release time under this subsection.

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

**EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF
State Board of Education 0614**

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for the cost of substitute teachers needed when a teacher is granted release time to serve on the State Board of Education.

GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$4,950	\$4,950
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$4,950	\$4,950

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**CHAPTER 422
H.P. 167 - L.D. 204**

**An Act To Provide Funding for
a Ranger Pilot Position in the
Maine Forest Service**

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.

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF

Division of Forest Protection Z232

Initiative: Provides funding for one Ranger Pilot position and All Other funding for a vehicle, training, clothing and a firearm.

GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	1,000	1,000
Personal Services	\$59,033	\$81,815
All Other	\$9,717	\$11,751
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$68,750	\$93,566

Forest Resource Management Z233

Initiative: Provides funding for one Ranger Pilot position and All Other funding for a vehicle, training, clothing and a firearm.

GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
Personal Services	\$24,112	\$33,418
All Other	\$3,969	\$4,800
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$28,081	\$38,218

Office of the Commissioner 0401

Initiative: Provides All Other funding for a laptop and cellular telephone.

GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$3,000	\$4,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$3,000	\$4,000

**AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2019-20	2020-21
GENERAL FUND	\$99,831	\$135,784
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$99,831	\$135,784

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**CHAPTER 423
H.P. 273 - L.D. 347**

An Act To Provide Sustainable Funding for Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure

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

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §6006-H, sub-§1, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 377, §2, is amended to read:

A. The fund is established in the custody of the bank as a special fund to provide financial assistance for capital investment in public water and wastewater infrastructure. For the purposes of this section, "public water and wastewater infrastructure" includes, but is not limited to public water systems, drinking water supplies and treatment facilities, public wastewater systems and treatment facilities and water pollution abatement systems.