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Maine Revised Statutes, Title 34-B, section 3011 for the Bridging Rental Assistance Program in order to ensure fairness, equity and access to the program for those persons with mental illness who qualify for the program.

Sec. 2. Delay in adoption of rules. Resolved: That if the Department of Health and Human Services anticipates a delay in the adoption of rules under section 1, the department shall submit a report by January 1, 2020 to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services detailing the reason for the delay and the progress made.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 61 H.P. 492 - L.D. 671

Resolve, To Require Professional Licensure for Home Inspectors

Sec. 1. Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation to conduct a sunrise review regarding the proposal to license home inspectors. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation shall conduct an independent assessment pursuant to the sunrise review requirements in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, chapter 1-A, subchapter 2 of the proposal to license home inspectors.

Sec. 2. Reporting date established. Resolved: That no later than January 10, 2020 the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation shall submit a report with any necessary legislation following the independent assessment under section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business. The committee is authorized to submit legislation on the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 62 H.P. 1008 - L.D. 1394

Resolve, To Direct the Department of Administrative and Financial Services To Conduct a Surplus Property Inventory

Preamble. Whereas, the State continues to experience a severe shortage of affordable housing; and

Whereas, the cost of land is one of the biggest barriers to the development of new affordable housing; now, therefore, be it

Sec. 1. Department of Administrative and Financial Services to conduct an inventory of surplus state-owned land and structures. Re**solved:** That the Department of Administrative and Financial Services shall conduct an inventory of surplus state-owned land and structures, pursuant to the authority and process established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1742, subsection 23. The inventory must include all surplus vacant land, unimproved structures and improved structures. The department shall provide the inventory to and consult with the Maine State Housing Authority in determining the suitability of land and structures for use in the development of affordable housing, consistent with Title 30-A, section 4754, subsection 3. The department shall report on the outcomes of the inventory and make recommendations regarding affordable housing to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing and the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government by February 1, 2020. The Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government may report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature related to surplus state-owned land and structures including a requirement that the department provide an annual report related to surplus state-owned land and structures.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 63 H.P. 851 - L.D. 1168

Resolve, To Improve Maine's Response to Childhood Trauma

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 task force on childhood trauma response guidance, established by this resolve, is convened to develop guidance for kindergarten to grade 12 administrators on appropriate training and responses to childhood trauma; and

Whereas, the study must be initiated before the 90-day period expires in order that the study may be completed and a report submitted in time for submission to the next legislative session; 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 preserva-