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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SPECIAL SESSION
June 19, 2018 to September 13, 2018

THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION
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ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine
2019

- G. The social needs and appropriate activities in the care of residents with Alzheimer's disease or dementia;
 - H. Recognizing and responding to caregiver stress;
 - I. Preventing, recognizing and responding to abuse and neglect of residents with Alzheimer's disease or dementia; and
 - J. Interactive training;
3. Review ongoing training requirements for direct care staff in Alzheimer's or dementia care units and other memory care units and consider whether:
- A. An additional 4 to 8 hours of annual training should be provided; and
 - B. Management and other staff should be included in training; and
4. Make recommendations to the department for amendments to the rules governing assisted housing programs that focus on person-centered care. The recommendations must include a definition of "person-centered care." The review must include a review of life stories of residents and their habits and preferences as approaches to better understand resident needs to plan and provide care.

Sec. 4. Report. Resolved: That, no later than February 1, 2020, the Department of Health and Human Services shall submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services describing the department's activities and actions regarding the time study required by section 1 and the work group required by section 3, together with recommendations and any suggested legislation. The Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services is authorized to report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature.

Sec. 5. Transfers from available fiscal year 2019-20 Department of Professional and Financial Regulation Other Special Revenue Funds balances to General Fund. Resolved: That, at the close of fiscal year 2019-20, the State Controller shall transfer \$355,501 from available balances in Other Special Revenue Funds accounts within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation to the General Fund unappropriated surplus. On or before June 30, 2020, the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation shall determine from which accounts the funds will be transferred so that the sum equals \$355,501 and notify the State Controller and the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs of the amounts to be transferred from each account.

Sec. 6. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF
Long Term Care - Office of Aging and Disability
Services 0420**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the Department of Health and Human Services to issue a request for proposals for a study to determine the amount of time assisted housing program staff devote to meeting the needs of residents in assisted housing programs, with a focus on residents with Alzheimer's disease or dementia.

GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$355,501	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$355,501	\$0

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**CHAPTER 107
H.P. 1315 - L.D. 1844**

**Resolve, Directing the Public
Utilities Commission To
Evaluate the Ownership of
Maine's Power Delivery
Systems**

Sec. 1. Public Utilities Commission evaluation. Resolved: That the Public Utilities Commission shall evaluate the proposal for creation of the Maine Power Delivery Authority as presented in L.D. 1646, An Act To Restore Local Ownership and Control of Maine's Power Delivery Systems, referred to in this resolve as "the proposal." The evaluation must include but is not limited to:

1. Analysis of the costs and benefits, both short-term and long-term, of the proposal;
2. Examination of legal, regulatory, technical, financial and operational issues related to the proposal and its implementation;
3. Assessment of anticipated impacts, both positive and negative, of the proposal on the State, including but not limited to impacts on electricity rates, utility employees and ratepayers; and
4. Development of alternatives or amendments to the proposal to address any identified obstacles to its implementation.

The commission shall contract with an independent consultant or consultants with relevant expertise to assist the commission with the evaluation. For the purposes of this section, "relevant expertise" includes, but is not limited to, expertise in utility valuation and

finance and other legal, regulatory, technical, financial and operational issues related to the proposal. The commission may seek public input and may consult with the Office of the Public Advocate and the Governor's Energy Office as needed to conduct the evaluation.

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, no later than February 15, 2020, the Public Utilities Commission shall submit to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology a report on the evaluation required in section 1. The report must include results, findings and recommendations from the evaluation, including suggested amendments to the proposal and any other suggested legislation. The report must specify which aspects of the evaluation have been completed and which, if any, require further time and study.

Sec. 3. Funding. Resolved: That, notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 117, subsection 3, paragraph B, or any other provision of law to the contrary, the Public Utilities Commission shall use funds from the Public Utilities Commission Reimbursement Fund, established in Title 35-A, section 117, to carry out the requirements of this resolve.

Sec. 4. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Public Utilities - Administrative Division 0184

Initiative: Provides an allocation for the cost of consulting services needed to evaluate a proposal to create the Maine Power Delivery Authority.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$500,000	\$0
	\$500,000	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$500,000	\$0

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