

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2021**

Outcomes Task Force pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 12901 must be made no later than 30 days following the effective date of this Act. The appointing authorities shall notify the Executive Director of the Legislative Council once all appointments have been completed. After appointment of all members, the chairs shall call and convene the first meeting of the task force. If 30 days or more after the effective date of this Act a majority of but not all appointments have been made, the chairs may request authority and the Legislative Council may grant authority for the task force to meet and conduct its business.

**Sec. 3. State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force to study improvements to the Department of Labor's educational outcome database.** The State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force shall study the updating of, and improvements to, the educational outcome database under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 12901. The study must include, but is not limited to, methods of ensuring the database contains the most current data available, ways to add to and improve the database with additional data regarding vocational schools, student loan information, financial aid awards and student loan default rates, incorporation of data available in other publicly available state or national databases, best practices from other states and any other information that would inform a prospective student. The task force shall report to the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs and labor and housing matters no later than November 1, 2022. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs may report out a bill related to the report to the First Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 244  
H.P. 1047 - L.D. 1431**

**An Act To Allow Certain Veterans' Organizations To Be Billed for Electricity Usage at the Same Rate as Residential Customers and To Require the Public Utilities Commission To Consider Rate Design Modifications**

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

**Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §3109** is enacted to read:

**§3109. Military veterans' organizations; residential customer**

**1. Definitions.** For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings.

A. "Eligible military veterans' organization" means a military veterans' organization qualified under the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 United States Code, Section 501(c)(19), as amended, excluding a trust or foundation for a post or organization of past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States.

B. "Residential customer" means a customer defined as residential under the terms and conditions of the customer's transmission and distribution utility.

**2. Residential rate for military veterans' organizations.** A transmission and distribution utility shall, at the request of an eligible military veterans' organization, bill that organization at the same rate as the utility bills a residential customer for electric power or service provided to a facility owned by that organization or a facility rented by that organization if that organization is billed directly for electric power or service provided by the utility.

**3. Repeal.** This section is repealed September 1, 2025.

**Sec. 2. Consideration of charges.** The Public Utilities Commission shall, in its current proceeding on grid modernization, Docket No. 2021-00039, consider rate design modifications, including adjustments to fixed charges and demand charges.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 245  
H.P. 1082 - L.D. 1466**

**An Act To Improve the Efficiency of Certain Consumer Credit Protection Laws**

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

**PART A**

**Sec. A-1. 9-A MRSA §1-201, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 604, §1, is further amended to read:

**1.** Except as otherwise provided in this section, this Act applies to consumer credit transactions and open-end credit plans made or entered into in this State. For purposes of this Act, a consumer credit transaction or open-end credit plan is made or entered into in this State if: the creditor, wherever located, enters into a consumer credit transaction or open-end credit plan with a consumer who is located in this State.