

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
**December 2, 2020 to March 30, 2021**

**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**  
**April 28, 2021 to July 19, 2021**

**THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR**  
**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
**NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS**  
**JUNE 29, 2021**

**THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR**  
**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**  
**NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS**  
**OCTOBER 18, 2021**

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

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

polyfluoroalkyl substances that may reasonably be quantified by a laboratory certified under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 567. A solid waste landfill that conducts testing of leachate pursuant to this section shall provide the department with the results of that testing.

2. On or before January 15, 2024, the department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources matters regarding the testing program implemented under this section, including a description of the results of such testing and any recommendations, including proposed legislation. After reviewing the report, the joint standing committee may report out legislation related to the report.

For purposes of this section, "perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances" has the same meaning as in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, section 1732, subsection 5-A.

**Sec. 4. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,  
DEPARTMENT OF**

**Land Application Contaminant Monitoring Fund  
N385**

Initiative: Provides allocations to test and monitor soil and groundwater for perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, or PFAS, and other contaminants. Funding may also be used for abating and mitigating identified contamination through the installation of filter treatment systems.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
All Other	\$1,800,000	\$3,600,000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$1,800,000	\$3,600,000

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 479  
S.P. 538 - L.D. 1651**

**An Act To Support Working Families through Outreach and Education about Tax Credits for Persons of Low Income**

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

**Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §5219-S, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

**7. Federal individual taxpayer identification numbers.** For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, for an individual who files a federal income tax

return, notwithstanding Section 32(m) of the Code, for purposes of calculating the credit allowed pursuant to this section, the taxpayer identification number required by Section 32(c)(1)(E) and 32(c)(3)(D) of the Code means a federal individual taxpayer identification number issued to an individual by the Internal Revenue Service or a social security number issued to an individual by the Social Security Administration on or before the due date for filing the return for the taxable year.

**Sec. 2. Report.** The New Ventures Maine program within the University of Maine System shall submit by January 31st annually beginning in 2022 to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over taxation matters a report describing its activities in the previous calendar year in providing tax assistance to low-income individuals and families, including the types of activities engaged in and the number of low-income individuals and families receiving tax assistance.

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

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE**

**New Ventures Maine Z169**

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for a statewide collaboration of nonprofit and for-profit partners to provide free volunteer tax assistance, including the filing of state tax returns; outreach to low-income individuals and families about federal and state tax credits; financial education, connections to financial services and other resources; education for providers and volunteers; and statewide data collection.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
All Other	\$36,500	\$36,500
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$36,500	\$36,500

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 480  
H.P. 1254 - L.D. 1685**

**An Act To Protect the Constitutional Rights of Indigent Defendants**

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

**Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §815** is enacted to read:

**§815. Communication between prosecutor and unrepresented defendant**

**1. Requirements for communication.** To ensure that all waivers of the right to counsel are made knowingly, voluntarily and intelligently, a prosecutor may