

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SPECIAL SESSION
September 29, 2021

SECOND REGULAR SESSION
January 5, 2022 to May 9, 2022

THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION
NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS
DECEMBER 29, 2021

THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR
SECOND REGULAR SESSION
NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS
AUGUST 8, 2022

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

Augusta, Maine
2022

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards or its successor organization pursuant to section 13007, subsection 2, paragraph D and section 13013-A.

Sec. 4. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2023.

Effective July 1, 2023.

CHAPTER 695

H.P. 1283 - L.D. 1732

An Act To Amend the Sales Tax Exemption for Nonprofit Housing Development Organizations

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§72, as amended by PL 1999, c. 708, §30, is further amended to read:

72. Nonprofit housing development organization. Sales to nonprofit organizations whose primary purpose is to develop housing for low-income people. For the purposes of this subsection, "low-income" means having income that is less than 120% of the median income for the area, adjusted for family size, as established by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development or its successor organization.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 696

S.P. 599 - L.D. 1744

An Act To Increase Funding for the Animal Welfare Fund by Increasing Certain Fees

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

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §714, sub-§2, as repealed and replaced by PL 2001, c. 422, §2, is amended to read:

2. Fees. The commissioner shall deposit ~~1/2~~ 20% of the fees collected pursuant to subsection 1 in the General Fund and ~~1/2~~ 80% of the fees collected in the Animal Welfare Fund established under section 3906-B.

Sec. 2. 7 MRSA §3906-B, sub-§2, as amended by PL 2009, c. 148, §2, is further amended to read:

2. Animal Welfare Fund. The commissioner shall deposit all license fees received pursuant to chapters 721, 723, 725 and 735 in a separate account established by the Treasurer of State and known as the Animal Welfare Fund. The commissioner shall deposit ~~1/2~~ 80% of the feed registration fees collected under section

714, subsection 1 and all revenue in excess of \$100,000 from the surcharge collected under section 714, subsection 4 in the Animal Welfare Fund. This account does not lapse, but continues from year to year. The commissioner shall pay from the Animal Welfare Fund the expense of furnishing license blanks, stickers and tags, travel expenses and salaries for necessary personnel, payments to animal shelters and expenses incurred in the administration of this Part.

Sec. 3. 7 MRSA §3919-C, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 439, §11, is amended to read:

1. Compensation for dogs and cats. Compensation for a dog or cat is ~~\$5~~ \$15 a day. Compensation for a female cat or dog with a litter that has not been weaned is ~~\$8~~ \$18 a day.

Sec. 4. 7 MRSA §3919-C, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 439, §11, is amended to read:

2. Equines. Compensation for an equine is ~~\$10~~ \$20 a day.

Sec. 5. 7 MRSA §3919-C, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 439, §11, is amended to read:

3. Livestock. Except for equines, fowl and rabbits, compensation for a livestock animal is between \$5 and ~~\$8~~ \$20 a day as determined by the department based on the size of the animal.

Sec. 6. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF

Animal Welfare Fund 0946

Initiative: Provides allocation to accommodate higher existing expenses and for an increase in the daily compensation rate paid to animal shelters holding animals pending court decisions.

	2021-22	2022-23
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS		
All Other	\$0	\$335,232
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$335,232</u>

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 697

S.P. 600 - L.D. 1745

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Gambling Control Board

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