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Initiative: Provides one-time funding to update the child health surveillance tracking system to accommodate the new data.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$3,000

GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$3,000

Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention 0143

Initiative: Provides funding for one half-time Public Health Educator III position to collect data, update material as needed and promote and distribute the public educational resources.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS -	0.000	0.500
LEGISLATIVE COUNT		
Personal Services	\$0	\$55,908
All Other	\$0	\$6,537
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$62,445
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$105,445
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$105,445

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CHAPTER 699

H.P. 1331 - L.D. 1780

An Act To Allow Unorganized Territory School Staff To Receive Annualized Pay

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §621-A, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2019, c. 193, §1, is further amended to read:

4. School personnel. Employees of a school administrative unit or a school in an unorganized territory operating under Title 20-A, chapter 119 who work the school year schedule may, upon written agreement between the employees and the school administrative unit or school in an unorganized territory, be paid for their work during the school year over 12 months or a shorter period, as provided in the written agreement. For purposes of this subsection, "written agreement" includes but is not limited to a collective bargaining agreement. A school administrative unit or school in an unorganized territory shall provide a wage payment option to school personnel who are paid on an hourly basis that allows those employees to be paid for their work during the school year over 12 months or a shorter period.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2023.

Effective July 1, 2023.

CHAPTER 700

S.P. 645 - L.D. 1859

An Act To Establish the Maine Emergency Medical Services Community Grant Program

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §97 is enacted to read:

<u>§97. Maine Emergency Medical Services Community Grant Program</u>

The Maine Emergency Medical Services Community Grant Program is established as a pilot program to provide grants to communities for the review and consideration of the provision of effective and efficient emergency medical services.

1. Definitions. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

<u>A. "Community" means a municipality or group of municipalities.</u>

<u>B. "Program" means the Maine Emergency Medical Services Community Grant Program pilot program established under this section.</u>

2. Purpose and use of grant funding. The purpose of the program is to provide financial assistance to communities that plan to examine or are examining the provision of emergency medical services through a process of informed community self-determination and are considering a new, financially stable structure for delivering emergency medical services that provides high-quality services effectively and efficiently. Recipient communities may use grant funds to review current capacity and consider alternative models for providing emergency medical services, including, but not limited to, for the following activities:

A. Engaging with the individuals, institutions and businesses in the community to plan for emergency medical services;

B. Determining the current level and financial health of emergency medical services that serve the community;

C. Identifying issues in the community that challenge or improve the provision of emergency medical services; D. Developing options for the structure, delivery and financing of emergency medical services that will effectively and efficiently serve the community, including options for ensuring long-term financial stability; and

E. Engaging with the individuals, institutions and businesses in the community in reviewing the information collected and considering options developed through the activities engaged in under paragraphs B to D.

3. Board responsibility; financing. The board shall administer grants made under the program. Funding appropriated for the program that is unexpended at the end of a fiscal year is nonlapsing and carries forward to the next fiscal year.

4. Rulemaking. The board shall adopt rules establishing the grant application and selection process and shall administer grant funds appropriated for the program. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

5. Reports. As a condition of receiving grant funding, all grant recipients shall report as required by the board on the use of funds and the results of the actions described by subsection 2.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

Emergency Medical Services 0485

Initiative: Appropriates one-time funding for the Maine Emergency Medical Services Community Grant Program under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, section 97. This appropriation is nonlapsing and any unexpended balance carries forward to the following fiscal year.

GENERAL FUND All Other	2021-22 \$0	2022-23 \$200,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$200,000
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CHAPTER 701 H.P. 1411 - L.D. 1904

An Act To Make Technical Corrections to the Maine Juvenile Code

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

Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §3308-C, sub-§10, ¶**E**, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 365, §19 and affected by §37, is amended to read:

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E. A copy of the court's written Notice of the court's order certifying its granting of the juvenile's petition to seal juvenile case records pursuant to paragraph B or its notice of the court's order of automatic sealing pursuant to paragraph C must be provided to the Department of Public Safety, <u>Bureau of State Police</u>, State Bureau of Identification if the adjudication is for a juvenile crime the criminal records of which are maintained by the State Bureau of Identification pursuant to Title 25, section 1541. Notice of the order may be sent by electronic transmission. The State Bureau of Identification or the appropriate agency upon receipt of the order notice shall promptly update its records relating to each of the juvenile adjudications included in the order notice.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Appropriates funds on a one-time basis for programming costs to enable the Judicial Department to transmit information electronically to the Department of Public Safety.

GENERAL FUND All Other	2021-22 \$0	2022-23 \$10,800
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$10,800
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CHAPTER 702

S.P. 697 - L.D. 1959

An Act Regarding Utility Accountability and Grid Planning for Maine's Clean Energy Future

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

Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §301, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Minimum service standards and report card for transmission and distribution utilities. The commission shall adopt rules for utilities with over 50,000 customers in accordance with this subsection governing the evaluation of transmission and distribution utility service, which must take into account the specific characteristics of each utility and its service territory. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.