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**CHAPTER 712
S.P. 191 - L.D. 485**

**An Act To Continue Funding
for Home-delivered Meals for
Homebound Seniors and To
Address Growing Demand**

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

Sec. 1. Mileage reimbursement rates for meals on wheels services. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8 and until June 30, 2023, the Department of Health and Human Services may provide funding to an area agency with an area plan approved by the department pursuant to Title 22, section 5118 to reimburse the agency for mileage accrued as a result of providing so-called meals on wheels services in an amount that exceeds the state reimbursement rate established in Title 5, section 8.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. 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 ongoing funding to provide home-delivered meals to homebound seniors and to leverage all federal funds available.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$250,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$250,000

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 713
H.P. 369 - L.D. 506**

**An Act To Reduce the Tax
Burden on Low-income
Electricity Customers**

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§9-B, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 673, §1, is amended to read:

A. The first 750 kilowatt hours of residential electricity per month; ~~and~~

Sec. 2. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§9-B, ¶B, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 673, §1, is amended to read:

B. Off-peak residential electricity used for space heating or water heating by means of an electric

thermal storage device. For the purpose of this paragraph, "off-peak residential electricity" means the off-peak delivery of residential electricity pursuant to tariffs on file with the Public Utilities Commission and the electricity supplied; ~~and~~

Sec. 3. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§9-B, ¶C is enacted to read:

C. Residential electricity consumed by eligible customers enrolled in a low-income assistance program implemented pursuant to Title 35-A, section 3214, subsection 2 or an arrearage management program implemented pursuant to Title 35-A, section 3214, subsection 2-A.

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

Effective January 1, 2023.

**CHAPTER 714
S.P. 352 - L.D. 1091**

**An Act To Improve the Long-term
Outcomes for Youth
Transitioning from State Care
by Raising the Upper Age
Limit for Voluntary Support
Eligibility**

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4010-C, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 2013, c. 577, §1, is amended to read:

1. Age; enrollment in postsecondary education institution. In order to be eligible to participate in the program, an individual must be at least ~~24~~ 23 years of age but less than 27 years of age, must have exited the voluntary extended care and support agreement with the State under section 4037-A at ~~24~~ 23 years of age and must be enrolled in a postsecondary education institution.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §4037-A, sub-§1, as amended by PL 2021, c. 535, §1, is further amended to read:

1. Extended care requirements. A person who is 18, 19 ~~or~~ 20, 21 or 22 years of age and who attained 18 years of age while in the care and custody of the department may continue to receive care and support if the person:

A. Is enrolled in secondary school or its equivalent or is enrolled in postsecondary or career and technical school;

B. Is participating in a program or activity that promotes employment or removes barriers to employment;