

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
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NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS
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Augusta, Maine
2022

**CHAPTER 720
H.P. 1255 - L.D. 1686**

An Act To Establish Public Defender Positions and Provide Support for Indigent Legal Services Providers

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §1804, sub-§2, ¶F, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 419, §2, is amended to read:

F. Standards for the reimbursement of expenses incurred by assigned counsel and contract counsel, including attendance at training events provided by the commission; and

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

INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES, MAINE COMMISSION ON

Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services Z112

Initiative: Establishes one District Defender position (Elected DA-equivalent Grade 90), 2 Assistant Defender I positions (ADA-equivalent Grade 38) and 2 Assistant Defender II positions (ADA-equivalent Grade 30), to be dispatched in the State where needed, and provides for their ancillary costs and meals and travel expenses.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	5.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$704,482
All Other	\$0	\$261,415
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$965,897

Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services Z112

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for a contract for online legal research access to be provided to up to 300 rostered attorneys and for annual reimbursement for written legal materials purchased by attorneys.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$275,580
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$275,580

INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES, MAINE COMMISSION ON DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$1,241,477

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$1,241,477
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See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 721
H.P. 1345 - L.D. 1803**

An Act To Attract and Retain Firefighters and Emergency Medical Services Personnel through the Maine Length of Service Award Program

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

Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES COMMISSION, MAINE

Maine Fire Protection Services Commission 0936

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the Maine Length of Service Award Program to provide length of service awards to eligible volunteer firefighters and emergency medical services personnel.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$500,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$500,000

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 722
H.P. 1349 - L.D. 1816**

An Act To Promote Labor Education through the University of Maine System

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

Sec. 1. Labor and community education center. The University of Maine System shall establish the Dr. Charles A. Scontras Labor Center, referred to in this Act as "the center," a labor and community education center, at the University of Southern Maine. The center must focus on providing lifelong community-based labor education, research and outreach and must offer workshops, symposia, skills-based learning and opportunities to conduct applied research. The center must work collaboratively with the President of the University of Southern Maine to integrate university curricula and faculty into education offered by the center. In establishing the center, the University of Maine System shall designate the credentials provided