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CHAPTER 78
S.P. 363 - L.D. 1102

**Resolve, Directing the Family
Law Advisory Commission To
Review Preliminary
Injunctions in Judicial
Separation and Divorce
Actions**

Sec. 1. Preliminary injunctions in judicial separation and divorce actions. Resolved: That the Family Law Advisory Commission shall review the elements of preliminary injunctions in judicial separation and divorce actions in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 19-A and in the statutes of other states to analyze appropriate elements and when they should be applied. The commission may include interested parties in the review and analysis. The commission shall submit a report, including any recommendations, to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary no later than December 15, 2021. The committee may report out legislation related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

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CHAPTER 79
H.P. 830 - L.D. 1152

**Resolve, To Require Maine
Postsecondary Educational
Institutions To Review the
Level of Student Debt and
Develop Plans To Limit
Student Debt**

Sec. 1. Postsecondary educational institutions to review student debt and develop plans. Resolved: That postsecondary educational institutions in this State, including the University of Maine System, the Maine Community College System, the Maine Maritime Academy and member schools of the Maine Independent Colleges Association, shall review the level of student debt of Maine residents at their institutions and develop plans to limit student debt, focusing on the following targeted goals:

1. Limit student debt to the maximum allowable federal direct subsidized and direct unsubsidized loans over a 4-year period;
2. Eliminate the gap in funding that exists between the expected family contribution and the sum of the average financial aid award provided to a student by the postsecondary educational institution, with reference to the affordability gap analysis conducted by the Commission To Study College Affordability and College

Completion established by Resolve 2013, chapter 109; and

3. Meet the financial need of their students in their financial aid awards.

Postsecondary educational institutions shall summarize in detail the results of their review, including best practices and recommendations for reform, and report the results of their review to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs no later than December 1, 2021. The Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs may report out legislation related to the reports to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

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CHAPTER 80
S.P. 412 - L.D. 1262

**Resolve, Directing the
Department of Health and
Human Services To Develop a
Comprehensive Statewide
Strategic Plan To Serve Maine
People with Behavioral Health
Needs throughout Their
Lifespans**

Sec. 1. Department of Health and Human Services to develop a comprehensive statewide strategic plan to serve people in the State with behavioral health needs throughout their lifespans. Resolved: That, within existing resources, the Department of Health and Human Services shall develop a vision and comprehensive statewide strategic plan to serve people in the State with behavioral health needs throughout their lifespans, referred to in this resolve as "the plan." For purposes of this resolve, "behavioral health" includes a wide range of mental disorders and illnesses, substance use disorder and developmental disabilities, including autism spectrum disorder.

Sec. 2. Plan participation. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall draft the plan in collaboration with other agencies of the executive branch, indigenous and tribal populations of the State, the Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations, consumer groups, service providers, public safety organizations, law enforcement organizations, hospitals, the LGBTQ community and any other interested parties and seek public input. For purposes of this resolve, "LGBTQ" includes but is not limited to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex and asexual.

Sec. 3. Elements of plan. Resolved: That, in drafting the plan, the Department of Health and Human