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(1) The United States Attorney for the District of Maine or the federal court waives exclusive jurisdiction; and

(2) The violation of federal law is also a juvenile crime as defined in section 3103, subsection 1.

Sec. 3. 17-A MRSA §10-A, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

3. Except as provided in subsections 1 and 2, when concurrent jurisdiction has been established pursuant to Title 15, section 3101, subsection 2, paragraph F, the Juvenile Court has exclusive original jurisdiction over a case involving a juvenile who is alleged to have committed a juvenile crime as defined in Title 15, section 3103, subsection 1.

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CHAPTER 606

H.P. 1430 - L.D. 2228

An Act to Establish the Wabanaki Veterans Memorial

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

Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §902, sub-§1-E is enacted to read:

1-E. Wabanaki veterans memorial. Notwithstanding section 902-A, subsection 2, paragraph B, the commission shall arrange for and oversee the development and implementation of a memorial in a portion of Capitol Park to honor the Wabanaki's defense and protection of their homelands and their service in the United States Armed Forces. The memorial is subject to available funding for the park.

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CHAPTER 607

H.P. 1440 - L.D. 2241

An Act to Eliminate Inactive Boards and Commissions

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §55, as amended by PL 2003, c. 20, Pt. OO, §2 and affected by §4, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §285, sub-§1, ¶F-11, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 363, §1, is repealed.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §12004-C, sub-§8, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 346, §1, is repealed.

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §12004-C, sub-§9, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 363, §2, is repealed.

Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §12004-I, sub-§2-E, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 566, §2, is repealed.

Sec. 6. 5 MRSA §12004-I, sub-§7, as amended by PL 1991, c. 832, §1, is repealed.

Sec. 7. 20-A MRSA §11, as amended by PL 2021, c. 144, §§1 to 3, is repealed.

Sec. 8. 20-A MRSA §3802, sub-§3, ¶D, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 284, Pt. VVVVVV, §6, is amended to read:

~~D. Magnet schools~~ The magnet school pursuant to ~~chapters chapter 312 and 312-A;~~

Sec. 9. 20-A MRSA §5205, sub-§11, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 363, §3, is repealed.

Sec. 10. 20-A MRSA c. 312-A, as amended, is repealed.

Sec. 11. 20-A MRSA §11801, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1989, c. 698, §15 and affected by §76, is repealed.

Sec. 12. 20-A MRSA §11803, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1989, c. 698, §17 and affected by §76, is further amended to read:

2. Forgiveness of indebtedness. The agreement must provide that 1/4 of the indebtedness is forgiven for each year in which the state contract student practices the student's profession within the State in primary care or other specialized areas as determined by the chief executive officer, ~~with the advice of the Advisory Committee on Medical Education.~~ For other state contract students returning to practice their profession in Maine, 1/4 of their indebtedness is forgiven for each of the first 2 years of practice.

Sec. 13. 20-A MRSA §12102, as amended by PL 2009, c. 488, §1, is further amended to read:

§12102. Comprehensive programs

The chief executive officer shall administer the comprehensive programs established in this chapter and chapter 424-A to address the shortage of primary health care professionals and veterinarians in the State. ~~With the assistance of the Advisory Committee on Medical Education, established by Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 7,~~ The chief executive officer shall plan, evaluate and update the programs to ensure that Maine residents have access to medical education and veterinary education and that Maine residents have access to primary health care and to veterinary care for their animals.

Sec. 14. 20-A MRSA §12106, as amended by PL 2009, c. 488, §13, is repealed.

Sec. 15. 20-A MRSA §15689-A, sub-§26, as reallocated by RR 2015, c. 1, §15, is repealed.

Sec. 16. 22 MRSA §2053, sub-§4-B, as amended by PL 2015, c. 363, §6, is further amended to read:

4-B. Institution for higher education. "Institution for higher education" means:

A. Any private, nonprofit, governmental or charitable institution or organization engaged in the operation of, or formed for the purpose of operating, an educational institution within this State, including the Maine Community College System and the University of Maine System, that, by virtue of law or charter, is an educational institution empowered to provide a program of education beyond the high school level; and

B. The Maine School of Science and Mathematics, as established in Title 20-A, chapter 312; and

~~C. The Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering, as established in Title 20-A, chapter 312-A.~~

Sec. 17. 25 MRSA §2463-A, sub-§1, ¶D, as amended by PL 2015, c. 363, §7, is further amended to read:

D. "Public educational institution" means the University of Maine System, the Maine Community College System, the Maine Maritime Academy, ~~the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering~~ or the Maine School of Science and Mathematics.

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CHAPTER 608

H.P. 1441 - L.D. 2248

An Act to Reduce the Reporting Requirements for Special Utility Districts and to Repeat the Maine Public Utility Financing Bank Act

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §12004-F, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 786, §5, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 10 MRSA §363, sub-§7, as amended by PL 1999, c. 728, §5, is further amended to read:

7. Allocation to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank. That portion of the state ceiling allocated to the category of bonds that are general obligations of issuers within the State, other than the State; that are included in bond issues of the Maine Municipal Bond Bank; ~~that are included in bond issues of the Maine Public Utility Financing Bank;~~ or that are qualified redevelopment bonds as defined in the United States Code, Title 26,

must be allocated to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank, which may further allocate that portion of the state ceiling to bonds requiring an allocation in order to qualify as tax-exempt bonds. Any further allocation or reallocation of any portion of the state ceiling from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank to another specific issuer designated in this section must be done in accordance with the requirements in subsection 1-A.

Sec. 3. 30-A MRSA §5704, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 and Pt. C, §106 and amended by PL 1989, c. 6; c. 9, §2; and c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

§5704. Reporting by special districts

~~Each~~ Upon request from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank, a special district in the State, whether or not its boundaries are coterminous with the boundaries of a municipality, including districts established for the purposes of providing water, sewer, electric, educational, health, transportation, solid waste management, parking or recreation services, or any other public purpose, shall file an annual report of its total outstanding debt.

1. Content. These reports ~~shall~~ must include debts by:

- A. Amount;
- B. Purpose;
- C. Creditors;
- D. Date incurred;
- E. Interest rate;
- F. Amortization period;
- G. Amount of annual principal payments and annual interest payments; and
- H. Assessments and contributions received from municipalities in the district to service the debts.

2. Filing; public records. The reports ~~shall~~ must be filed within 45 days of the end date of ~~each the~~ the fiscal year in which the Maine Municipal Bond Bank made the request under subsection 1. The reports ~~shall~~ must be filed with the Maine Municipal Bond Bank upon forms provided by it. Information reported under this section is a public record.

Sec. 4. 30-A MRSA §6006-B, sub-§1, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 605, §14, is amended by repealing subparagraph (6).

Sec. 5. 35-A MRSA c. 29, as amended, is repealed.

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