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FIRST REGULAR AND FIRST SPECIAL SESSIONS



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provision of services for children three years of age is through a quasi-independent agency, school administrative units, or a hybrid system.

Resolve 2021, chapter 106 also provides that the advisory committee may report separately to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs regarding its role in the development of the process, timeline and implementation plan.

The joint standing committee is authorized to submit legislation related to the department's report to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

LD 429 An Act To Protect the Health of Students and Educators by Requiring School Emergency Management Plans To Address Health and Safety

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 464 expands the scope of school board emergency management plans to address issues related to health and safety. It requires the engagement of school nurses, physicians and public health staff in developing the comprehensive health and safety emergency management plan. It requires that, at the request of a school board member or full-time school employee, a steering committee be formed composed of school employees, school board members, parents and others that regularly reviews and refines the comprehensive health and safety and emergency management plan. It requires that a majority of the school employees on the steering committee be chosen by the local representatives of the applicable bargaining unit if the school employees are covered by a collective bargaining agreement.

LD 440 An Act To Conserve the Frances Perkins Homestead National Historic Landmark

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 418 provides one-time funding of \$100,000 in fiscal year 2021-22 to the Frances Perkins Center to ensure the public can access the Frances Perkins Homestead.

LD 453 An Act To Establish a Permanent Appointment of a Member of the Wabanaki Tribes to the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Private and Special Law 2021, chapter 4 requires that at least one member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System be a member of a federally recognized Indian nation, tribe or band in Maine. The nomination of that member must be based on the joint recommendation of the Aroostook Band of Micmacs, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Motahkomikuk, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Sipayik and the Penobscot Nation. If the tribal governments do not make a unanimous joint recommendation, the Governor is required to appoint