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LD 119 An Act To Increase Faculty in Nursing Education Programs by Amending the Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program

Although this bill was not enacted, the substance of the bill, as amended by the committee, was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 483, the law that distributed federal American Rescue Plan Act funds. Additional changes to the program were made in Public Law 2021, chapter 635. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summaries, LD 1733, Part FF and LD 1995, Part CC.

LD 148 An Act To Establish Ongoing Absentee Voting

Although this bill was not enacted, the substance of the bill, as amended by the committee, was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 398, the supplemental budget enacted in the First Special Session. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 221, Part UUUU (effective November 1, 2023).

LD 211 An Act To Support Emergency Shelter Access for Persons Experiencing Homelessness

Although this bill was not enacted, aspects of the substance of the bill were incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 483, the law that distributed federal American Rescue Plan Act Funds, Part EE. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1733, Part EE.

LD 273 An Act To Sustain the Doctors for Maine's Future Scholarship Program

Although this bill was not enacted, the substance of the bill, as amended by the committee, was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 483, the law that distributed federal Rescue Plan Act funds. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1733, Part H.

LD 292 An Act To Increase the Minimum Grant Amount under the Maine State Grant Program

Although this bill was not enacted, the substance of the bill, as amended by the committee, was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 398. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 221, Parts A and XXX.

LD 296 Resolve, To Create the Family Caregiver Grant Pilot

This resolve was not enacted but the substance of the resolve, as amended by the committee, was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 483, the law that distributed federal American Rescue Plan Act funds, as a one-time pilot program with \$5.1 million in funding. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1733, Part CCC.

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LD 372 An Act to Establish the Hospital System Loan Fund Program

This bill was amended by Senate Amendment “A” and enacted as Public Law 2021, chapter 746. LD 372 as amended by Committee Amendment “C” proposed changes to the Cub Care program including increasing the maximum eligibility level of family income to 300% of the federal poverty level, including 19 and 20 year olds in the program, removed the three-month waiting period for enrollment, and removed the asset test and premium payments. The substance of Committee Amendment “C” was incorporated in Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part CCC.

LD 393 An Act To Improve the Child Welfare System

This bill was not enacted but the substance of this bill, as amended by the committee, was incorporated in Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part BBB.

LD 415 Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Increase MaineCare Reimbursement Rates for Targeted Case Management Services and To Expand Eligibility for Targeted Case Management Services for Adults with Substance Use Disorder

This resolve was not enacted but Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget, included one-time funding in FY22 of \$2,000,000 for targeted case management under Section 13 of MaineCare. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1994, Part A.

LD 451 An Act To Remove the Party Designation from Return Envelopes for Absentee Ballots for the General Election

Although this bill was not enacted, the substance of the bill was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 398, the supplemental budget enacted in the First Special Session. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 221, Part UUUU (effective November 1, 2023).

LD 473 An Act To Create the Maine Rental Assistance and Guarantee Program

Although this bill was not enacted, aspects of the substance of the bill were incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 483, the law that distributed federal American Rescue Plan Act funds. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1733, Part HH.

LD 496 An Act To Increase Timely Access to Mental Health Services by Increasing MaineCare Reimbursement Rates

This bill was not enacted but Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session, included one-time funding in FY22 of \$3,550,000 for home and community based treatment and \$3,000,000 for outpatient therapy for

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children and adults under Section 65 of MaineCare. Public Law 2021, chapter 29 the biennial budget and Public Law 2021, chapter 398, the supplemental budget enacted in the First Special Session included funding for Section 97, Appendix D PNMI's. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summaries, LD 1995, Part A; LD 715, Part D; and LD 221, Part A.

LD 582 An Act To Support the Fidelity and Sustainability of Assertive Community Treatment

This bill was not enacted but Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget, included one-time funding in FY22 of \$3,550,000 for assertive community treatment under Section 17 of MaineCare. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part A.

LD 614 Resolve, To Extend Funding to Maine Veterans' Homes during the COVID-19 Pandemic

This resolve was not enacted but funding for certain Maine Veterans' Homes facilities was included in Public Law 2021, chapter 528. See Veterans and Legal Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 2001.

LD 616 An Act To Increase Accountability for Wage Violations

Although this bill was not enacted, the establishment of two Labor and Safety Inspection positions and one Fraud Investigator position were included in Public Law 2021, chapter 398, the supplemental budget enacted in the First Special Session. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 221, Part A.

LD 674 An Act To Support Early Intervention and Treatment of Psychotic Disorders

This bill was not enacted but funding to implement a coordinated specialty care model to treat MaineCare members for a first episode of psychosis was included in Public Law 2021, chapter 398, the supplemental budget enacted in the First Special Session. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 221, Part A.

LD 703 An Act To Increase the Amount to Which a State Employee or Teacher Retiree's Cost-of-living Adjustment Is Applied from \$20,000 to the Retiree's Actual Retirement Benefit

Although this bill was not enacted, Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session, changes the amount to which a state employee or teacher retiree's cost-of-living adjustment is applied from \$20,000 to \$24,186.25, effective July 1, 2022. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part NN.

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LD 730 An Act Regarding Staffing and Funding of the Citizen Trade Policy Commission

Although this bill was enacted as amended by Senate Amendment “A”, the substance of Committee Amendment “A”, titled “An Act To Protect Economic Competitiveness in Maine by Extending the End Date for Pine Tree Development Zone Benefits,” was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 398. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 221, Part III.

LD 808 An Act To Repeal the Pesticide Container Fee and the Tick Laboratory and Pest Management Fund

Although this bill was not enacted, aspects of the substance of the bill, as amended by the committee, were incorporated into the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session, Public Law 2021, chapter 635. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part YY.

LD 886 Resolve, To Encourage Employment in the Direct Care Workforce

Although this resolve was not finally passed, aspects of the substance of the resolve were incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 483, Part JJ. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1733, Part JJ.

LD 949 Resolve, To Restore the MaineCare Nursing Facility COVID-19 Temporary Rate Increase

This resolve was not enacted but additional funding for nursing facilities and Appendix C PNMI for costs associated with COVID-19 was included in Public Law 2021, chapter 398, Part QQQQ, the supplemental budget enacted in the First Special Session, and in Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summaries, LD 221, Part QQQQ and LD 1995, Part A.

LD 996 An Act To Improve Dental Health Access for Maine Children and Adults with Low Incomes

This bill was not enacted but Public Law 2021, chapter 398, the supplemental budget enacted in the First Special Session, provides funding for a full dental benefit to MaineCare adults over 21 years of age. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 221, Part A.

LD 1076 An Act To Support the Operations of Youth Shelters in Maine

This bill was not enacted but funding for existing homeless shelters and homeless youth services was included in Public Law 2021, chapter 483, the law that distributed federal American Rescue Plan Act fund and Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summaries, LD 1733, Part A and LD 1995, Part A.

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LD 1147 Resolve, To Enhance Access to Medication Management for Individuals with Serious and Persistent Mental Illness

This resolve was not enacted but Public Law 2021, chapter 398, Part BBBB, the supplemental budget enacted in the First Special Session, increased reimbursement rates for medication management under Section 65 of MaineCare. Funding for medication management was also provided in Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summaries, LD 221, Part BBBB and LD 1995, Part A.

LD 1155 An Act To Require Election Transparency and Audits

Although this bill was not enacted, the substance of the committee amendment to the bill was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part ZZ.

LD 1204 An Act To Address the Shortage of Direct Care Workers for Children with Disabilities in Maine

This bill was not enacted but the substance of the bill was incorporated into Part DD of Public Law 2021, chapter 483, the law that distributed federal American Rescue Plan Act funds. Part DD establishes a pilot program, with funding, to allow for reimbursement of a parent providing in-home personal care services to their MaineCare-eligible child under certain circumstances. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1733, Part DD.

LD 1326 An Act To Provide Funding for the Maine Civil Legal Services Fund

Although this bill was not enacted, ongoing funding for the Civil Legal Services Fund of \$1,300,000 annually, starting in fiscal year 22-23, was included in the supplemental budget, Public Law 2021, chapter 635. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part A, section A-22.

LD 1352 An Act To Regulate Sports Betting

Although this bill was not enacted, aspects of the substance of the bill were enacted in Public Law 2022, chapter 681, which established a regulatory framework for sports betting in the State. See Judiciary, Enacted Law Summary, LD 585, Parts I, J and K.

LD 1360 An Act To Provide Services to Maine's Most Vulnerable Citizens by Eliminating the Waiting Lists for Certain MaineCare Services

This bill was not enacted. Public Law 2021, chapter 398, the supplemental budget enacted in the First Special Session, includes funding to provide services to individuals on the Section 29 waitlist. Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session, also includes funding to replenish 50 reserve slots for individuals who have been determined Priority 1 waiver program candidates under

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Section 21 and to reduce the waiting list for state-funded Section 63. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summaries, LD 221, Part A and LD 1995, Part A.

LD 1476 Resolve, Directing the Department of Economic and Community Development To Create and Share Measures of Progress

Although this resolve was not finally passed, additional funding to support the work described in the substance of the resolve, as amended by the committee, was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 635. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part A.

LD 1501 An Act To Protect Oral Health for Children in Maine

This bill was not enacted but the substance of this bill was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 635, Part AAA, the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session. Part AAA requires school-based preventive oral health services in all schools by 2025 and establishes an Oral Health Coordinator within the Maine Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary LD 1995, Part AAA.

LD 1570 An Act To Protect Drinking Water for Maine Residents

This bill was not enacted but the substance of this bill, as amended by the committee, was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 483. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1733, Part BB.

LD 1573 An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Commission to Study Long-term Care Workforce Issues

This bill was not enacted but Public Law 2021, chapter 398, the supplemental budget enacted in the First Special Session, incorporates the substance of the committee amendment to LD 1573 in Part AAAA and includes funding to increase reimbursement rates. Public Law 2021, chapter 635, the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session and includes several funding initiatives to fully fund the requirements of Part AAAA. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summaries, LD 221, Part AAAA and LD 1995.

LD 1652 An Act To Build a Child Care System by Recruiting and Retaining Maine's Early Childhood Educators Workforce

Although this bill was not enacted, the substance of the bill, as amended by the committee, was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 635. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Parts RR and C.

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LD 1805 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 26: Producer Margins, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Milk Commission

Although this resolve was not finally passed, the major substantive rule that it relates to was properly submitted during the statutorily defined legislative rule acceptance period, so, under that governing statute, the agency may finally adopt the rule.

LD 1952 Resolve, To Reestablish the Commission To Develop a Paid Family and Medical Leave Benefits Program

Although this resolve was not finally passed, the substance of the resolve was incorporated into Public Law 2021, chapter 635, Part KK. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part KK.

LD 2003 An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Commission To Increase Housing Opportunities in Maine by Studying Zoning and Land Use Restrictions

The establishment of the Housing Opportunity Program within the Department of Economic and Community Development to encourage and support the development of additional housing units in the State, which was originally included in LD 2003, was not included in the enacted version of LD 2003. It was instead enacted as Part U of Public Law 2021, chapter 635. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part U.

LD 2013 An Act Relating to Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Contamination in the State

Although this bill was not enacted, aspects of the substance of the bill were incorporated into the supplemental budget enacted in the Second Regular Session, Public Law 2021, chapter 635. See Appropriations and Financial Affairs, Enacted Law Summary, LD 1995, Part XX.