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CHAPTER 217

H.P. 905 - L.D. 1184

AN ACT to Establish Vehicular Manslaughter as a Class B Offense under the Criminal Code.

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

17-A MRSA §203, sub-§3, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 510, §40, is amended to read:

3. Manslaughter is a Class B crime if it occurs as a result of the reckless or criminally negligent operation of a motor vehicle; otherwise, manslaughter is a Class A crime.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 218

H.P. 927 - L.D. 1206

AN ACT Concerning Inspection of Hotel Records by Police Officers.

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

30 MRSA §2801 is amended to read:

§2801. Register; contents; inspection; penalty

Every person conducting any hotel or lodginghouse lodging house shall at all times keep and maintain or cause to be kept and maintained therein a register in which shall be inscribed the true name of each and every guest or person renting or occupying a room or rooms therein. Such That register shall be signed by the person renting such the room or rooms, or by someone under his direction. The proprietor of such that hotel or lodginghouse lodging house, or his agent, shall thereupon write opposite such the name or names so registered the number of each room assigned to and occupied by each such guest, together with the date such that room is rented. The proprietor of such that hotel or lodginghouse lodging house, or his agent, shall keep and preserve a record showing the date when the occupant of each room so

rented shall quit and surrender the same room. Such The record may be made a part of the register, and both shall be kept available for a period of 2 years at all reasonable times to the inspection of any lawful agent of the licensing authority or the sheriff and his deputies or any state police officer any full-time law enforcement officer as defined in Title 25, section 2805. Any person who willfully violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days for each offense, or by both.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 219

S.P. 328 - L.D. 973

AN ACT to Change the Definition of
Firearm in the Maine Criminal Code.

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

17-A MRSA §2, sub-§12-A, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 499, §1, is amended to read:

12-A. "Firearm" means any weapon, whether loaded or unloaded, which ~~will~~ is designed to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive and includes any such weapon commonly referred to as a pistol, revolver, rifle, gun, machine gun or shotgun. Any weapon which can be ~~readily~~ made into a firearm by the insertion of a firing pin, or other similar thing ~~in the actual possession of the actor or an accomplice, or by repair,~~ is a firearm.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 220

H.P. 711 - L.D. 902

AN ACT to Define Cider.

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