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

Sec. 1. 25 MRSA c. 260 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 260

BLUE ALERT PROGRAM

§2221. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

1. Blue Alert. "Blue Alert" means a notice provided under this chapter to the public through certain state agencies and the media.

2. Blue Alert Program. "Blue Alert Program" means the statewide alert program regarding killed, injured or missing law enforcement officers developed and implemented under this chapter.

3. Department. "Department" means the Department of Public Safety.

4. Law enforcement officer. "Law enforcement officer" has the same meaning as in section 3701, subsection 3.

5. Media. "Media" means print, radio, Internet-based communication systems or other methods of communicating information to the public.

§2222. Blue Alert Program

1. Blue Alert Program. In accordance with this chapter and with the cooperation of the Department of Transportation, the Maine Turnpike Authority, a statewide organization representing broadcast groups in the State, the Office of the Governor and appropriate law enforcement agencies, the department shall develop and implement the Blue Alert Program as provided in subsection 2.

2. Program elements. The Blue Alert Program must be developed and implemented using existing resources and activated when, in the line of duty, a law enforcement officer has been killed or injured or is missing, there is sufficient information available regarding the law enforcement officer's last known location or physical description of an offender or vehicle involved and the department determines that a public notification may aid in:

A. Apprehending a suspected offender who poses an imminent threat to the public or to law enforcement personnel; or

B. Locating a missing law enforcement officer.

3. Standards of procedure. The Blue Alert Program must include standards of procedure for local law enforcement agencies to determine that a condition under subsection 2 exists to notify the department to activate a Blue Alert, a plan for providing relevant

information to the public through an existing system of dynamic message signs located across the State when necessary and training for all law enforcement officers.

4. Rules. The department may adopt routine technical rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 27

H.P. 255 - L.D. 389

An Act Relating to the Sale of Hypodermic Apparatuses

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2383-B, sub-§6, as amended by PL 2003, c. 386, §19, is further amended to read:

6. Lawful possession of hypodermic apparatuses by livestock owners; sale to livestock owners. A person who owns livestock is authorized to possess and have control of hypodermic apparatuses for the purpose of administering antibiotics, vitamins and vaccines to treat medical conditions or promote the health of that person's livestock, and such possession and control are expressly authorized within the meaning of Title 17-A, section 1111, subsection 1, paragraph A. For the purposes of this subsection, "livestock" means cattle, equines, sheep, goats, swine, members of the genus Lama, poultry, rabbits and cervids as defined in Title 7, section 1333, subsection 1.

A. An agricultural supply store authorized to sell hypodermic apparatuses pursuant to Title 32, section 13787-A, subsection 1 may furnish or sell, without limit in number, hypodermic apparatuses to a person authorized to possess and have control of hypodermic apparatuses pursuant to this subsection, and such furnishing or sale is expressly authorized within the meaning of Title 17-A, section 1110, subsection 1-B.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 28

S.P. 171 - L.D. 442

An Act To Clarify Municipal Capacity for Site Location of Development and Encourage Local Development