3. Acknowledgment; clarification; time estimate; cost estimate. The agency or official having custody or control of a public record shall acknowledge receipt of a request made according to this section within 5 working days of receiving the request and may request clarification concerning which public record or public records are being requested. Within a reasonable time of receiving the request, the agency or official shall provide a good faith, nonbinding estimate of the time within which the agency or official will comply with the request, as well as a cost estimate as provided in subsection 9. The agency or official shall make a good faith effort to fully respond to the request within the estimated time. For purposes of this subsection, the date a request is received is the date a sufficient description of the public record is received by the agency or official at the office responsible for maintaining the public record. An agency or official that receives a request for a public record that is maintained by that agency but is not maintained by the office that received the request shall forward the request to the office of the agency or official that maintains the record, without willful delay, and shall notify the requestor that the request has been forwarded and that the office to which the request has been forwarded will acknowledge receipt within 5 working days of receiving the request.

Sec. 2. 1 MRSA §413, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 662, §8, is amended to read:

1. Designation; responsibility. Each agency, county, municipality, school administrative unit and regional or other political subdivision shall designate an existing employee as its public access officer to serve as the contact person for that agency, county, municipality, school administrative unit and regional or other political subdivision with regard to requests for public records under this subchapter. The public access officer shall serve as a resource within the agency, county, municipality, school administrative unit and regional or other political subdivision concerning freedom of access questions and compliance.

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CHAPTER 318
H.P. 769 - L.D. 1108
An Act To Protect Children and the Public from Vapor from Electronic Smoking Devices

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1541, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Electronic smoking device. "Electronic smoking device" means a device used to deliver nicotine or any other substance intended for human consumption that may be used by a person to simulate smoking through inhalation of vapor or aerosol from the device, including, without limitation, a device manufactured, distributed, marketed or sold as an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic pipe, electronic hookah or so-called vape pen.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §1541, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 342, §1 and affected by §9, is amended to read:

6. Smoking. "Smoking" includes carrying or having in one's possession a lighted or heated cigarette, cigar, or pipe or other object giving off tobacco smoke a lighted or heated tobacco or plant product intended for human consumption through inhalation whether natural or synthetic in any manner or in any form. "Smoking" includes the use of an electronic smoking device.

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CHAPTER 319
S.P. 468 - L.D. 1303
An Act To Stabilize and Streamline the Department of Environmental Protection's Ground Water Oil Clean-up Fund and Maine Coastal and Inland Surface Oil Clean-up Fund

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the statutorily established Ground Water Oil Clean-up Fund and Maine Coastal and Inland Surface Oil Clean-up Fund support activities related to the cleanup of spills and discharges of oil and other hazardous materials in the State; and