

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
**December 4, 2024 to March 21, 2025**

**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**  
**March 25, 2025 to June 25, 2025**

**THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR**  
**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
**NONEMERGENCY LAWS IS**  
**JUNE 20, 2025**

**THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR**  
**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**  
**NONEMERGENCY LAWS IS**  
**SEPTEMBER 24, 2025**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2025**

Experimental discharge license	license fee	2019 bill amount	\$1,550
New or amended mixing zone, in addition to other applicable fees	flat fee	\$9,254	---
Formation of sanitary district	flat fee	\$693	---
Transfer of license for residential or commercial sanitary wastewater	flat fee	\$140	---

On an annual basis, municipalities and publicly owned treatment works whose combined sewer overflows have the potential to affect shellfish harvesting areas as determined by the department by virtue of their locations within estuarine or marine waters of the State must be assessed a surcharge on their wastewater discharge licenses in a total amount of \$12,000. This amount must be allocated among the municipalities and publicly owned treatment works according to their prior 3-year average annual flows as reported to the department.

On an annual basis, publicly owned treatment works whose outfalls licensed for the discharge of treated effluent cause adjacent shellfish growing areas to be closed for the purposes of harvesting shellfish must be assessed a license surcharge in a total amount of \$25,000. This amount must be allocated among the publicly owned treatment works according to the acreage that each licensed outfall closes. This acreage must be determined by the Department of Marine Resources in consultation with the department.

**Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,  
DEPARTMENT OF**

**Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421**

Initiative: Provides allocations for expenditures that support activities for water quality control operations, including licensing, compliance evaluation, monitoring, data acquisition, data management and administration.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>
All Other	\$55,791	\$57,409
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$55,791</b>	<b>\$57,409</b>

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 63**

**H.P. 755 - L.D. 1150**

**An Act to Require Reporting of Sheltering or Aiding Missing Children**

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

**Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2157** is enacted to read:

**§2157. Sheltering or aiding missing child**

**1. Duty to inform law enforcement officer.** If a person knowingly shelters or aids in obtaining shelter for a missing child for more than 24 hours without the consent of the missing child's parent, guardian or legal custodian, the person shall inform a law enforcement officer as to the missing child's location and condition if the law enforcement officer contacts that person as part of the investigation of the missing child.

**2. Violation.** A person who violates subsection 1 is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$250.

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**CHAPTER 64**

**S.P. 18 - L.D. 6**

**An Act to Allow Persons to Label Their Wild Animal Traps with Their Online Identification Number Issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §12254, sub-§1,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §216 and affected by §422, is amended to read:

**1. Prohibition.** A person may not set a trap for any wild animal without having the trap plainly labeled with that person's full name and address or that person's trapping online licensing system identification number issued by the department.

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