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rental or similar establishment, typically for under 30 days.

- C. "Ticket" has the same meaning as in Title 8, section 1301, subsection 1, paragraph C.
- **2. Total price disclosure.** A person advertising or offering for rent or renting a short-term lodging or a person advertising or offering for sale or selling a ticket:
 - A. Shall clearly and conspicuously disclose the total price of the short-term lodging or ticket, including any mandatory fee, whenever the price is advertised or displayed;
 - B. Shall display the total price of the short-term lodging or ticket more prominently than other pricing information in all advertisements, offers or displays; and
 - C. May not misrepresent any fee or charge associated with a short-term lodging or ticket in any advertisement, offer or display.

The requirements of this subsection do not apply to a provider of short-term lodging or a person advertising or offering for sale or selling a ticket that complies with the provisions of 16 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 464.

- **3. Enforcement.** The Attorney General shall enforce this section.
- **4. Violation.** A person that violates this section commits an unfair and deceptive act and a violation of Title 5, chapter 10.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 312 H.P. 396 - L.D. 628

An Act Regarding Eligibility to Apply for a Department of Education Diploma

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

- **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §257-A, sub-§1-A,** as amended by PL 2023, c. 171, §1, is further amended to read:
- 1-A. Eligibility for students impacted by COVID-19 pandemic. Notwithstanding the eligibility requirements in subsection 1, a student is eligible to apply for a Department of Education diploma if that student is a 4th year secondary school student and is unable to satisfy the requirements for a diploma from a school administrative unit because the student experienced a significant interruption to the student's education as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and civil emergency during the student's secondary school education history.

This subsection is repealed on September 1, 2026.

- Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §257-A, sub-§1-C is enacted to read:
- 1-C. Exception for disruption to student's education conditions. A student is eligible to apply for a Department of Education diploma if that student is at least a 4th year secondary school student and is unable to satisfy the requirements for a diploma from a school administrative unit because of a disruption to the student's education during the student's secondary school education history. A disruption to the student's education may include, but is not limited to, conditions described in section 5161, subsection 2-A.
- **Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §5161, sub-§2-A,** as amended by PL 2021, c. 445, §3, is further amended to read:
- **2-A.** Education disruption. "Education disruption" means disruption of the educational program of an elementary or secondary school student as a result of:
 - A. Homelessness or, foster care placement <u>or another housing disruption</u>;
 - B. Absence for 10 or more consecutive school days due to placement in an interim program more than 10% of the school days in a school year due to unforeseen circumstances, including, but not limited to, placement in an interim program, unplanned hospitalization or serious medical condition;
 - C. Enrollment in 3 2 or more schools or educational programs in a single school year during the student's secondary school education; or
 - D. The student's being an immigrant student or a migrant student.

"Education disruption" does not include an absence for 10 or more consecutive school days as a result of a planned absence for a reason such as a family event or a medical absence for a planned hospitalization or recovery or pursuant to a superintendent's determination developed in accordance with section 5205, subsection 2.

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CHAPTER 313 H.P. 399 - L.D. 631

An Act to Allow a Home Distiller to Distill and Share Homemade Spirituous Liquor

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

Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1358 is enacted to read: **§1358. Home distillery establishments**