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Augusta, Maine
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A. Persons at the time of the notice performing a service for wages or other remuneration under a contract of hire, expressed or implied, for the public utility or competitive electricity provider; and

B. The public utility's and the competitive electricity provider's affiliated interests and utility contractors.

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CHAPTER 408

H.P. 700 - L.D. 1078

An Act to Support Maine's Public Health Objectives by Increasing Access to Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1341, sub-§5 is enacted to read:

5. Authorized service models. A certified hypodermic apparatus exchange program may:

A. Operate mobile sites within the municipality where the program is certified, including rotating locations, variable schedules or temporary setups, as long as the program ensures the safe collection and disposal of hypodermic apparatuses and operates within parameters preapproved by the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention. For the purposes of this paragraph, "parameters" means a set of general operating conditions, such as geographic zones, time frames or site types, that allows certified hypodermic apparatus exchange programs to operate flexibly within those defined boundaries, rather than being limited to fixed locations; and

B. Provide delivery services of hypodermic apparatuses within the program's service area, as long as the delivery ensures client confidentiality, safe handling and proper disposal. The program may deliver only to locations where it has been expressly invited by an individual or entity with legal authority to authorize access to that location.

Expansion of sites under this subsection does not entitle a certified hypodermic apparatus exchange program to additional funds under an existing contract with the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

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CHAPTER 409

H.P. 713 - L.D. 1091

An Act to Reinforce Free Speech at Town Meetings by Requiring Opportunity for Public Comment

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

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §2608 is enacted to read:

§2608. Public comment at public meetings of municipal officers

A reasonable opportunity for public comment must be provided on matters addressed by the municipal governing body at any regularly scheduled public meeting of the municipal officers. This section does not apply to a subcommittee meeting of a municipal governing body. This section does not preempt or restrict the municipal governing body from adopting and enforcing reasonable standards governing public comment, including time limits and conduct standards.

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CHAPTER 410

H.P. 867 - L.D. 1332

An Act to Establish the Community Schools Success Fund to Ensure the Implementation and Success of Community Schools Programs

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §9924 is enacted to read:

§9924. Community Schools Success Fund

1. Fund established. The Community Schools Success Fund, referred to in this section as "the fund," is established within the department as a nonlapsing fund to provide grants to community schools, local education providers and nonprofit organizations. The commissioner shall administer the fund to provide community schools with assistance with the following:

A. Community needs audits and community schools resources assessment;

B. Readiness plan assessments;

C. New and ongoing sustainability efforts;

D. Professional development and training; and

E. Peer support and mentoring efforts.