

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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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**

thereafter, a designated food waste generator shall submit to the department a report, in a format specified by the department, that includes the following information:

A. The amount, in tons, of excess edible food donated by the designated food waste generator to food rescue organizations during the prior calendar year;

B. The amount, in tons, of food waste transferred by the designated food waste generator to organics recyclers during the prior calendar year; and

C. Any other information required by the department.

**5. Administration; rules; publication of information.** The department shall administer the requirements of this section and shall adopt rules as necessary for the implementation, administration and enforcement of this section.

A. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A and must include, at a minimum:

(1) Provisions setting forth the methodology by which the department will determine the persons that qualify as designated food waste generators under this section; and

(2) Requirements for the temporary hardship waiver process under subsection 3.

B. Not earlier than July 1, 2035, the department may adopt rules providing that a designated food waste generator under subsection 1, paragraph A, subparagraph (3) includes a person that generates at a single location an annual average of less than one ton but greater than 100 pounds per week of food waste or that is located farther than 25 miles from an organics recycler with available capacity to accept the food waste generated by the person at the location.

If the department adopts rules pursuant to this paragraph, the department may by rule exempt from otherwise applicable reporting requirements of subsection 4 any designated food waste generator that generates at a single location an annual average of less than one ton but greater than 100 pounds per week of food waste.

C. By July 1, 2029, the department shall publish on its publicly accessible website and maintain and regularly update a list of all organics recyclers in the State known by the department to be authorized to accept food waste and all food rescue organizations in the State known by the department to accept excess edible food.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 420

### H.P. 732 - L.D. 1113

#### An Act Regarding Fairness in Sentencing for Persons Based on Age

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

**Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1602, sub-§1, ¶B**, as enacted by PL 2019, c. 113, Pt. A, §2, is amended to read:

B. Second, the court shall determine the maximum term of imprisonment to be imposed by considering all other relevant sentencing factors, both aggravating and mitigating, appropriate to the case. Relevant sentencing factors include, but are not limited to, the character of the individual, the age of the individual at the time the conduct forming the basis for the conviction occurred, the individual's criminal history, the effect of the offense on the victim and the protection of the public interest.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 421

### S.P. 608 - L.D. 1493

#### An Act to Limit Corporate Use of the Visual Media Production Credit

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §13090-L, sub-§2-A, ¶D**, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 470, §1, is amended by amending subparagraph (5) to read:

(5) A finished production that solicits funds; ~~or~~

**Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §13090-L, sub-§2-A, ¶D**, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 470, §1, is amended by amending subparagraph (6) to read:

(6) A production for which records are required to be maintained by 18 United States Code, Section 2257-;

**Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §13090-L, sub-§2-A, ¶D**, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 470, §1, is amended by enacting a new subparagraph (7) to read:

(7) A commercial or promotional production intended to advance a product or service to the benefit of an individual or organization; or

**Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §13090-L, sub-§2-A, ¶D**, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 470, §1, is amended by enacting a new subparagraph (8) to read: