

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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C. The qualifications for a primary care medical director or emergency medical services medical director identified under paragraph A or B, except that the board may not restrict eligibility to only licensed physicians and shall permit eligibility for an individual serving as a volunteer or serving in a dual capacity as a community paramedicine service's primary care medical director and emergency medical services medical director;

D. Compliance with the Maine Background Check Center Act requirements as described in Title 22, chapter 1691;

E. Conducting initial and ongoing training of all staff regarding their obligations as mandatory reporters; and

F. Meeting licensing standards that address the following areas:

- (1) General requirements;
- (2) Qualifications for professional personnel;
- (3) Qualifications for paraprofessional personnel;
- (4) Treatment and services and their coordination;
- (5) Organizational structure, including lines of authority;
- (6) Treatment records;
- (7) Business records; and
- (8) Other aspects of community paramedicine that may be necessary to protect the public.

Initial rules adopted pursuant to this section are major substantive rules and any subsequent amendments to rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 636

S.P. 834 - L.D. 2135

An Act to Provide Funding to Keep Maine Veterans Housed

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

Sec. 1. 37-B MRSA §513-B is enacted to read:
§513-B. Veterans' Housing Provider Incentive Program; establishment; report

The Veterans' Housing Provider Incentive Program is established to provide grants to organizations to support permanent housing for veteran populations.

1. Fund established. The Veterans' Housing Provider Incentive Fund, referred to in this section as "the fund," is established under the bureau for the purpose of receiving funds from state, federal and other sources, including donations from private citizens, corporations and entities for the purposes of this section.

2. Grants to support permanent housing. The bureau shall use the fund to award grants to organizations that have been determined by the United States Internal Revenue Service to be exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Section 501(c)(3) and have as a core program supporting permanent housing for veteran populations. An organization awarded a grant under this section may use the funding for housing provider incentives, risk mitigation payments and past rental debt payments for veterans experiencing homelessness.

3. Rules. The bureau may adopt rules necessary to implement this section, including requirements for organizations to report on the use of grant funding received under this section. Rules adopted under this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

4. Report. The bureau shall submit a report by February 15, 2027, and by February 15th in any year in which a grant is issued, regarding grants awarded to organizations under this section, including information from the organizations on their use of that funding, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over veterans affairs.

Sec. 2. Transfer; Department of Public Safety, Gambling Control Unit, Sports Wagering program, Other Special Revenue Funds account. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or before June 30, 2027, the State Controller shall transfer \$90,000 from the Sports Wagering program, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Public Safety, Gambling Control Unit to the Veterans' Housing Provider Incentive Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services for a grant program to support permanent housing for veteran populations.

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

DEFENSE, VETERANS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Veterans' Housing Provider Incentive Fund N570

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to issue grants to eligible organizations to support permanent housing.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$0	\$90,000

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE \$0 \$90,000
FUNDS TOTAL

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 637

S.P. 884 - L.D. 2179

An Act Regarding the Licensing of Online Used Car Dealers

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §958 is enacted to read:

§958. Online used car dealer licensure and regulation

1. Online used car dealer; definition. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, "online used car dealer" means a licensed used motor vehicle dealer that conducts sales exclusively through electronic or digital platforms and does not operate a physical retail display location in this State. An online used car dealer may partner with a service center or inspection station licensed in this State as required by law but may not maintain an in-person sales lot.

2. Licensure and regulation. The bureau shall conduct a 2-year pilot program to license and regulate online used car dealers operating under this section. The bureau may license and regulate online used car dealers operating under this section.

3. Eligibility. To qualify for licensure as an online used car dealer, an applicant must:

- A. Hold valid authority as a corporation or limited liability entity in good standing with the Secretary of State;
- B. Demonstrate motor vehicle sales in multiple jurisdictions within the United States;
- C. Provide proof of a minimum of 100 annual motor vehicle sales; and
- D. Meet all background check requirements established by the Secretary of State.

4. Application for license. The following provisions govern the application for a license for an online used car dealer.

- A. An online used car dealer shall apply for a license in accordance with the requirements under section 901.
- B. An online used car dealer is exempt from the established place of business requirements set forth in sections 851 to 952 but may maintain a physical location in this State. If an online used car dealer

elects to establish or operate a physical office, inspection station or repair facility in this State, that location must fully comply with all applicable dealer licensing standards and regulatory requirements in effect for used car dealer licensees.

C. An online used car dealer shall file with the Secretary of State and maintain a surety bond of \$350,000.

D. The annual fee for an online used car dealer license is \$500.

5. License requirements. Unless expressly modified by this section, an online used car dealer is subject to and shall comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations governing the licensing and sale of new and used motor vehicles in this State.

6. Disclosure requirements. The following provisions govern online used car dealer disclosures.

A. An online used car dealer is exempt from the physical display requirements set forth in Title 10, sections 1474 and 1475. At the time of an electronic or digital display on an electronic or digital platform, an online used car dealer shall provide a consumer with a disclosure consistent with the requirements of Title 10, chapter 217 and the Federal Trade Commission's Used Motor Vehicle Trade Regulation Rule in 16 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 455.

B. A disclosure form authorized by this State must be provided to the purchaser at the time of delivery to the purchaser, signed by the purchaser and retained by the online used car dealer in compliance with the record-keeping requirements of Title 10, chapter 217.

7. Inspection requirements. The following provisions govern inspections of motor vehicles under this section.

A. A motor vehicle sold by an online used car dealer must pass an inspection in this State prior to sale. A reconstructable motor vehicle as defined in Title 10, section 1471, subsection 6-A or an unsafe motor vehicle may not be sold by an online used car dealer.

B. A motor vehicle sold to a purchaser in this State must be inspected by an inspection station licensed in this State prior to delivery to the purchaser and must display a valid inspection sticker issued within 60 days of sale.

8. Inspection stations; repair facilities. The following provisions govern inspection stations and repair facilities in relation to online used car dealers.

A. An online used car dealer may obtain a license for an inspection station in this State. All standards governing inspection stations apply to such an inspection station.