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4. It removes the repeal of the law providing for licensee self-sampling of marijuana for the purpose of mandatory testing.

Public Law 2021, chapter 226 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 16, 2021.

#### LD 625 Resolve, Directing a Review of Crucial Needs and Lapses in Responding to and Preventing Sexual Trauma in the Maine National Guard

#### ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2021, chapter 21 directs the Adjutant General to review the implementation of the recommendations made in the report submitted pursuant to Resolve 2013, chapter 66 regarding the investigation, prosecution and adjudication of sexual assault by members of the Maine National Guard and the appropriate treatment of Maine National Guard members who are victims of sexual assault. The Adjutant General must submit a report on the results of the review to the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs by March 1, 2022 that includes suggested legislation and that identifies any crucial needs and lapses in responding to and preventing military sexual trauma.

# **LD 658** An Act To Provide Funding for 2 Veteran Service Officers in the Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services

#### ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 429 provides ongoing funding for two new veteran service officer positions in the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services.

#### LD 670 An Act To Increase the Lobbyist Registration Fee

#### ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 114 increases from \$200 to \$250 the fee that a lobbyist must pay to register to lobby on behalf of each of the lobbyist's employers and increases from \$100 to \$125 the fee for each lobbyist associate who is included in the registration. The law also newly authorizes the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices to waive these fees, in whole or in part, if the commission determines that the fees constitute an economic hardship to the lobbyist's employer.

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