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LD 87 An Act Regarding the State Workforce Board

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 154 changes the name of the State Workforce Board within the Department of Labor to the State Workforce Development Board for consistency with the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. The law amends the membership of the board by limiting membership to the members listed and by removing legislative review of member appointments, with the exception of the chair of the board, who is appointed by the Governor, subject to review and confirmation by the Legislature. The law authorizes the Governor to appoint an interim board chair for up to 6 months without legislative confirmation.

Public Law 2025, chapter 154 clarifies that the recipient of an annual report from the board is the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over labor matters instead of the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over labor, business, research and economic development matters and changes rules related to industry partnerships for workforce development from major substantive to routine technical rules.

LD 89 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 201: Employer Reporting and Payments, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2025, chapter 109 authorizes the Maine Public Employees Retirement System to adopt the major substantive rule of Chapter 201: Employer Reporting and Payments.

LD 240 An Act to Create Consistency in Retirement Service Benefits Deferral Under the Maine Public Employees Retirement System

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 12 allows a member of a participating local district of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System to defer initiation of service retirement benefits from any plan in which the benefits would be reduced because the member has not reached normal retirement age under the plan if the member retires under the State Employee and Teacher Retirement Program.

LD 545 An Act to Exempt a Person Making Electrical Installations in the Person's Existing Bona Fide Personal Abode from Licensing and Permitting Requirements

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 88 reinstates the exception, inadvertently omitted from Public Law 2017, chapter 198, allowing a person, without first obtaining a license or a permit from the Electricians'