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**LD 1081 An Act to Support Access to General Assistance at Municipal General Assistance
Offices and Designated Places**

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 149 amends the law governing local offices where a person may apply for general assistance to require each municipality to designate daily hours when an application may be obtained, accepted and processed. These designated hours may not total less than 50% of the municipality's regular business hours. It also changes the information that must be posted at the local offices to reflect this amendment.

LD 1157 An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to the State's Background Check Center

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 243 updates certain definitions related to health care service providers and clarifies background check parameters and applicable roles and responsibilities in order to gain Federal Bureau of Investigation approval for the State to effectuate biometric-based background check capability. It clarifies requirements regarding privacy of federal conviction data. It also updates the date that statutory changes take effect to align with the time of functionality of the system.

LD 1243 An Act Regarding the Licensing of Assisted Living Facilities

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 307 allows the Department of Health and Human Services to issue a license to an assisted living facility that is applying for another license at the same license level as long as the facility received all municipal approvals and permits and financing approval prior to March 1, 2023 and began construction prior to October 1, 2023. Any violations of quality of care and services or resident rights at the existing facility disqualifies the applicant from being issued a license.

Public Law 2025, chapter 307 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 15, 2025.

**LD 1326 An Act to Protect the Drinking Water for Consumers of Certain Water Systems by
Establishing Maximum Contaminant Levels for Certain Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl
Substances**

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2024, chapter 425 provides that monitoring and reporting of PFAS compounds and treatment to address maximum contaminant level exceedances must take place in accordance with

ENACTED LAW SUMMARIES