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licensure. As part of the mandatory minimum licensing qualifications for a community paramedicine service, the law clarifies that the individual identified by a community paramedicine service as the primary care medical director and emergency medical services medical director may not be limited to a physician only, that the individual may serve as a volunteer and that the same individual may serve in both capacities for a licensed community paramedicine service.

Public Law 2025, chapter 635 also directs the board to adopt rules to implement licensing standards for community paramedicine services and community paramedicine clinicians and provides that the initial rules adopted by the Emergency Medical Services' Board are major substantive rules subject to legislative approval before final adoption.

**LD 2146 An Act to Increase Access to Critical Vaccinations**

Public Law 2025, chapter 702 requires the Maine Vaccine Board to consider vaccines that are recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Academy of Family Physicians or the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists or their successor organizations when making its annual determination of vaccines that must be made available through the Universal Immunization Program. If federal funding is not available for certain vaccines under the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Vaccines for Children Program, the law authorizes the Maine Vaccine Board to request state funding to cover the costs of vaccines for children who qualify for vaccines under the Vaccines for Children Program for those vaccines that are recommended by the Department of Health and Human Services or the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Academy of Family Physicians or the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists or their successor organizations.

Public Law 2025, chapter 702 also provides a pharmacist licensed in this State with immunity from liability for negligence for administering a vaccine that is outside the guidelines recommended by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, or its successor organization, as long as the administration of the vaccine is in accordance with guidelines recommended by the State or the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Academy of Family Physicians or the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists or their successor organizations.

**LD 2166 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 6: Delegation of Nursing Activities and Tasks to Unlicensed Assistive Personnel by Registered Professional Nurses, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, State Board of Nursing**

Resolve 2025, chapter 140 authorizes final adoption of Chapter 6: Delegation of Nursing Activities and Tasks to Unlicensed Assistive Personnel by Registered Professional Nurses, a major substantive rule of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, State Board of Nursing.

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Resolve 2025, chapter 140 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective March 19, 2026.

**LD 2167 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 100: Enforcement Procedures, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization**

Resolve 2025, chapter 138 authorizes final adoption of portions of Chapter 100: Enforcement Procedures, a major substantive rule of the Maine Health Data Organization.

Resolve 2025, chapter 138 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective March 19, 2026.

**LD 2189 An Act to Require Prior Notification of Closures of Labor and Delivery Units and Changes in Maternity or Newborn Care Services by Hospitals as Recommended by the Commission to Evaluate the Scope of Regulatory Review and Oversight over Health Care Transactions That Impact the Delivery of Health Care Services in the State**

Public Law 2025, chapter 606 requires a hospital to provide at least 120 days' notice prior to the termination of maternity or newborn care services or of a change in the level of care a hospital provides for maternity and newborn care services.

Public Law 2025, chapter 606 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 3, 2026.

**LD 2200 An Act Relating to Noncompete Agreements Between Employers and Health Care Practitioners**

Public Law 2025, chapter 718 prohibits an employer from requiring or permitting a health care practitioner to enter into a noncompete agreement with that employer unless the health care practitioner is employed by an entity in which the health care practitioner has an ownership interest. The law also requires that any noncompete agreement between an employer and a health care practitioner that is enforceable must recognize an individual's right to choose the individual's own health care practitioner.

**LD 2201 An Act to Implement Certain Recommendations Related to the Regulatory Review and Approval of Certain Health Care Transactions Involving Private Equity Companies, Hedge Funds or Management Services Organizations from the Commission to Evaluate the Scope of Regulatory Review and Oversight over Health Care Transactions That Impact the Delivery of Health Care Services in the State**

Public Law 2025, chapter 690 establishes a process for review and approval of certain transactions when a private equity company, hedge fund or management services organization acquires a majority ownership interest in a health care entity or when a private equity company, hedge fund or management services organization takes operational control over a health care entity. The law exempts material change transactions involving independent provider practices of 6 or fewer