

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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the holder from certain laws administered by the department as to the time, place, size, condition, amount and manner of taking fish or shellfish.

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## CHAPTER 237

### AN ACT to Exclude Sparklers from Prohibition against the Sale of Fireworks.

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

8 MRSA § 211, 1st ¶, as amended by PL 1967, c. 12, is further amended to read:

No person shall sell, or keep or offer for sale, or use, or explode or cause to explode any combustible or explosive composition or substance, or any combination of such compositions or substances, or any other article, which was prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, explosion, deflagration or detonation, including in the above terms blank cartridges or toy cannons in which explosives are used, the type of balloon which requires fire underneath to propel the same, firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, roman candles, bombs, ~~sparklers~~ rockets, wheels, colored fires, fountains, mines, serpents, or other fireworks of like construction, or any fireworks containing any explosive or flammable compound, or any tablets or other device containing any explosive substance or flammable compound. The term "fireworks" as used in this chapter shall not include toy pistols, toy canes, toy guns or other devices in which paper caps or plastic caps containing 25/100ths grains or less of explosive compound are used, if they are so constructed that the hand cannot come in contact with the cap when in place for the explosion, or toy pistol paper caps or plastic caps which contain less than 20/100th grains of explosive mixture or sparklers that do not contain magnesium chlorates or perchlorates, the sale, possession and use of which shall be permitted at all times. This section shall not apply:

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## CHAPTER 238

AN ACT to Exempt from the Sales Tax all Equipment and Supplies used to Diagnose or Treat Diabetes.

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

36 MRSA § 1760, sub-§ 33, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 788, § 187, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

33. Diabetic supplies. All equipment and supplies, whether medical or otherwise, used in the diagnosis or treatment of diabetes;

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## CHAPTER 239

### AN ACT Concerning Ritual Burial by Certain Religious Groups.

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

32 MRSA § 1501, last ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1967, c. 253, § 6, is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read:

The board may waive all or part of the licensing requirements and qualifications of this chapter if in its judgment these requirements and qualifications are in conflict with the religious faith of an applicant.

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## CHAPTER 240

### AN ACT to Repeal Certain Laws Relating to State Government Administrative Procedures and Services.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA § 200 is repealed.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA § 204, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 78, § 9, is repealed.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA c 15, as amended by PL 1975, c. 293, § 4, is repealed.

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA § 1744 is repealed.

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