

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

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J.S. McCarthy Co., Inc.  
Augusta, Maine  
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**PUBLIC LAWS**  
OF THE  
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Sec. 3. Sunset. This Act is repealed on November 1, 1988.

Effective September 19, 1985.

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## CHAPTER 437

H.P. 584 - L.D. 854

AN ACT to Amend the Disclosure of Licensing  
Records Regarding Adult and Child Care  
Programs to Clarify Procedures  
Relating to Vital Statistic Records  
and Clarify Officials Authorized to  
Act as Public Guardians or Conservators  
under the Probate Code.

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

Sec. 1. 18-A MRSA §5-606, sub-§(c), as amended by PL 1981, c. 493, §2, is further amended to read:

(c) Persons duly delegated by the officials authorized to act under subsections (a) and (b) may include a staff of competent social workers, or competent social workers assigned to the public guardian or conservator by the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation or the Department of Human Services. In the event that the delegation is to an individual, such individual shall be qualified therefor by reason of education or experience, or both, in administering to the needs of the individual or individuals over whom he is to exercise administrative or supervisory authority under the public guardian.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §2705, sub-§1 is amended to read:

1. Amended certificate. A certificate which has been altered or amended after its filing shall be marked "amended," and the date on which the certificate or record was amended and a summary description of the evidence submitted in support of the correction shall be endorsed on the record or permanently attached to it. Any certified copies of certificates or records amended under this section shall be marked "amended." Notwithstanding this subsection, administrative correction of clerical errors within one year

after the date of filing shall not cause the certificate or record to be considered altered or amended.

Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §7701, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

3. Abuse or neglect. For purposes of section 7703, "abuse or neglect," in the case of children refers to the definition found in section 4002, subsection 1. In the case of adults, "abuse" and "neglect" refers to the definitions found in section 3472, subsections 1 and 11, and also incorporates exploitation, as defined in section 3472, subsection 9.

Sec. 4. 22 MRSA §7703, sub-§4, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 691, §2, is amended to read:

B. A law enforcement agency investigating a report of child or adult abuse or neglect or the commission of a crime by an owner, operator or employee of a facility against a client or recipient of services of the facility;

Effective September 19, 1985.

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## CHAPTER 438

H.P. 452 - L.D. 725

AN ACT to Initiate Agricultural Technology Transfer and Special Project Programs.

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

7 MRSA c. 9 is enacted to read:

### CHAPTER 9

AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AND

SPECIAL RESEARCH PROJECTS

#### §321. Findings

1. Technology transfer needs. The Legislature finds that many new agricultural technologies have been developed in other states and countries that have not been tested or demonstrated in this State. Many of these new technologies could be applied to