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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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A. To persons within the E-9-1-1 system to the extent necessary to implement and manage the E-9-1-1 system;

B. To a law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency for the purpose of criminal investigations related to an E-9-1-1 call;

C. To designees of the bureau director for the purpose of system maintenance and quality control; and

D. In accordance with an order issued on a finding of good cause by a court of competent jurisdiction.

5. Unlisted telephone numbers. The name and address associated with the number of a telephone company customer with an unlisted telephone number may be furnished to the E-9-1-1 system for processing a request for E-9-1-1 services from that number and for the provision of emergency services resulting from the request.

6. Penalty for disseminating information. Disclosing confidential information in violation of subsection 2 or disclosing audio recordings of emergency calls to the E-9-1-1 system in violation of subsection 4 is a Class E crime.

§2930. Immunity

1. Governmental entity. Subject to all the limitations and exceptions provided under the Maine Tort Claims Act, Title 14, chapter 741, a government entity is immune from tort liability for property damages, bodily injury or death resulting from acts or omissions occurring in developing, establishing, implementing, maintaining or operating the E-9-1-1 system.

2. Cellular or wireless telecommunications service provider. To the extent that a local exchange carrier is deemed to have limitations of liability and indemnification pursuant to the provisions of a tariff or schedule agreement in effect at the time of the transmission of the E-9-1-1 service, a cellular or wireless telecommunications provider that processes an E-9-1-1 communication has the same limitation of liability and indemnification that the local exchange carrier has for that E-9-1-1 transmission.

§2931. Misuse of E-9-1-1 system

1. Prohibited use. A person is guilty of misuse of the E-9-1-1 system if, without reasonable cause, that person makes repeated telephone calls to a public safety answering point by dialing 9-1-1 to make nonemergency reports or inquiries after having been forbidden to do so by a public safety answering point manager or administrator or a law enforcement officer.

2. Penalty. Violation of this section is a Class E crime.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 292

H.P. 974 - L.D. 1354

An Act to Transfer the Responsibility for the Certification of Batterers' Intervention Programs to the Department of Corrections

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

Sec. 1. 19 MRSA §770-C, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 405, §17, is amended to read:

1. Rules establishing standards and procedures for certification. The Department of Public Safety Corrections, referred to in this section as the "department," shall adopt rules pursuant to the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, in consultation with the Maine Commission on Domestic Abuse, that establish standards and procedures for certification of batterers' intervention programs. The department, in consultation with the commission, shall review and certify programs that meet the standards. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are major substantive rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

Sec. 2. 19-A MRSA §4014, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. B, §2 and affected by Pt. E, §2, is amended to read:

1. Rules establishing standards and procedures for certification. The Department of Public Safety Corrections, referred to in this section as the "department," shall adopt rules pursuant to the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, in consultation with the Maine Commission on Domestic Abuse, that establish standards and procedures for certification of batterers' intervention programs. The department, in consultation with the commission, shall review and certify programs that meet the standards. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are major substantive rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

Sec. 3. Effective date. That section of this Act that amends the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 19-A, section 4014, subsection 1 is effective October 1, 1997.

See title page for effective date, unless otherwise indicated.
