

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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**J.S. McCarthy Company**  
**Augusta, Maine**  
**1999**

order upon the customer upon notice by the Attorney General, the Attorney General's designee or the District Attorney that service upon the customer would not be in the public interest. A subpoena, summons or warrant issued in connection with a criminal proceeding or state or federal grand jury proceeding, a request for information by the Department of Human Services for purposes related to establishing, modifying or enforcing a child support order or a trustee process lawfully issued need not be served upon the customer.

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**CHAPTER 198**

**H.P. 1211 - L.D. 1740**

**An Act to Amend the Habitual Truancy Law**

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §5051, sub-§2, ¶A-1,** as enacted by PL 1989, c. 415, §19, is amended to read:

A-1. As part of the informal measures set out in paragraph A, the superintendent may ask the student's parents to attend a series of meetings with their child's teacher or other school personnel designated by the superintendent. The purpose of the meetings is to describe the education program to the parents and explain the value of their child attending an educational program, including, but not limited to, school, adult education, a high school equivalency degree program and other alternative education programs. The superintendent shall arrange meeting times convenient to the parents.

**Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §5051, sub-§2, ¶F,** as amended by PL 1995, c. 124, §1, is further amended to read:

F. When a student is determined habitually truant and in violation of section 5001-A and the superintendent has made a good faith attempt to meet the requirements of paragraph A-1, the ~~school board~~ superintendent may notify the local law enforcement department of the decision. After this notification, a local law enforcement officer who sees a truant may offer to transport the truant to the appropriate school if the truant and the truant's parent or guardian provide verbal consent and if the truant:

- (1) Is off school grounds during school hours; and

- (2) Is not under the supervision of school personnel.

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**CHAPTER 199**

**S.P. 351 - L.D. 1055**

**An Act to Bring Certain Maine Drug Test Levels into Conformity With Federal Standards**

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

**Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §683, sub-§2, ¶G,** as amended by PL 1989, c. 832, §6, is further amended to read:

G. The cutoff levels for both screening and confirmation tests at which the presence of a substance of abuse in a sample is considered a positive test result.

- (1) Cutoff levels for confirmation tests for marijuana may not be lower than ~~20~~ 15 nanograms of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol-9-carboxylic acid per milliliter for urine samples.

- (2) The Department of Human Services shall adopt rules under section 687 regulating screening and confirmation cutoff levels for other substances of abuse, including those substances tested for in blood samples under subsection 5, paragraph B, to ensure that levels are set within known tolerances of test methods and above mere trace amounts. An employer may request that the Department of Human Services establish a cutoff level for any substance of abuse for which the department has not established a cutoff level;

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**CHAPTER 200**

**H.P. 685 - L.D. 941**

**An Act to Require That Certified Public Accounting and Public Accounting Firms Have a Majority of Their Owners Hold Certificates**

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