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<u>notice of</u> resignation of the registered agent <u>under</u> <u>section 854, subsection 4</u>, a fee of \$30;

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CHAPTER 595

S.P. 687 - L.D. 1933

An Act to Promote Sharing of Information Between Schools and Criminal Justice Agencies

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

Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §3008 is enacted to read:

<u>§3008. Dissemination of education records of</u> preadjudicated juveniles

Pursuant to Title 20-A, section 6001, schools may distribute education records of preadjudicated juveniles to criminal justice agencies or agencies that by court order or agreement of the juvenile are responsible for the health or welfare of the juvenile if the education records are relevant to and disseminated for the purpose of creating or maintaining an individualized plan for the juvenile's rehabilitation.

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §6001, as amended by PL 1999, c. 17, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§6001. Dissemination of information

1. Federal and state law. The provisions of this section, the United States Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, Public Law 93-380, as amended by Public Law 93-568, and the United States Education of All Handicapped Children Act, Public Law 94-142 govern the dissemination of information about students, as well as applications for equivalent instruction through home instruction, comments on the completeness of those applications and all education records of students receiving equivalent instruction through home instruction.

2. Internet restrictions. A public school may not publish on the Internet or provide for publication on the Internet any personal information about its students without first obtaining the written approval of those students' parents. For the purpose of this section, "personal information" means information that identifies a student, including, but not limited to, the student's full name, photograph, personal biography, e-mail address, home address, date of birth, social security number and parents' names. 3. Dissemination of education records to criminal justice agencies. A school may disseminate education records as defined in 20 United States Code, Section 1232 g(a)(4) regarding a juvenile if:

A. The juvenile has not been adjudicated as having committed a juvenile crime;

B. The education records are disseminated to:

(1) Criminal justice agencies; or

(2) Agencies that by court order or agreement of the juvenile are responsible for the health or welfare of the juvenile and that have provided the school with a statement describing the purpose of the dissemination; and

<u>C.</u> The education records are relevant to and disseminated for the purpose of creating or maintaining an individualized plan for the juvenile's rehabilitation.

Education records received under this subsection are confidential and may not be further disseminated, except to the court or as otherwise provided by law. The persons to whom the education records are disseminated shall certify in writing to the school that the records will not be disclosed to any other party, except the court or as otherwise provided by law, without the written consent of the juvenile or the juvenile's parent or guardian.

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CHAPTER 596

H.P. 1769 - L.D. 2482

An Act to Enhance Maine's Historic Districts by Efficiently Installing Underground Delivery Systems

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

Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §2312 is enacted to read:

<u>§2312. Facilities in municipally designated historic</u> <u>districts</u>

1. Location of facilities in municipally designated historic district. A public utility or other facility owner that owns facilities, as defined in section 2502, subsection 3, along a state highway or state aid highway located in a district designated a historic district by a municipality by ordinance shall provide, upon written demand by the governing body of that municipality, services to buildings or structures located along the state highway or state aid highway either by connecting its facilities to the rear of those buildings or structures, if rear access is reasonably available from other poles, however owned and controlled, legally located in public streets or ways, or by placing those facilities under the surface of the state highway or state aid highway. Any relocation or placement cost is the responsibility of the municipality whose governing body issued the written demand, unless the public utility or other facility owner has specifically agreed in writing to bear a portion of the cost.

2. Cost estimate. A public utility or other facility owner that owns facilities, as defined in section 2502, subsection 3, shall inform, within 60 days of receiving a written demand from a municipality pursuant to subsection 1, the municipality's governing body of its preliminary estimate of costs of relocating facilities. The written demand must include the exact location within the public way of the proposed new placement or relocation, taking into consideration existing underground utilities. The municipality may rescind its demand for a relocation after reviewing the cost estimate.

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CHAPTER 597

H.P. 1646 - L.D. 2306

An Act to Amend the Animal Welfare Laws

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

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §3923-A, sub-§4, as amended by PL 1997, c. 690, §15, is further amended to read:

4. Late fees. An owner or keeper required to license a dog under section 3922, subsection 1 or section 3923-C, subsection 1 and applying for a license for that dog after January 31st shall pay to the municipal clerk or dog recorder a late fee of \$3 \$5 in addition to the annual license fee paid in accordance with subsection 1 or 2 and section 3923-C, subsection 1. The clerk or dog recorder shall deposit all late fees collected under this subsection into the municipality's animal welfare account established in accordance with section 3945.

An owner or keeper whose name appears on a municipal warrant issued in accordance with section 3943 must pay the late fee <u>of \$10</u> required by that section and is not subject to this subsection.

Sec. 2. 7 MRSA §4016, last ¶, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 254, §14, is amended to read:

The court, as part of the penalty, may prohibit a person adjudicated as having violated the laws against cruelty to animals from owning, possessing or having on the defendant's premises an animal for a period of time, up to and including permanent relinquishment. The court as part of the sentence may order that the defendant be evaluated to determine the need for psychiatric or psychological counseling and, if it is determined appropriate, the court may order that the defendant receive psychiatric or psychological counseling at the defendant's expense.

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CHAPTER 598

H.P. 1742 - L.D. 2448

An Act to Improve Licensing Efficiency within the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2169, as amended by PL 1997, c. 454, §11, is further amended to read:

§2169. Issuance of licenses

The commissioner shall, within 30 days following receipt of application for a license to operate a food establishment or a food salvage establishment or to act as a salvage broker, issue the appropriate license if the applicant is in compliance with this chapter and any rules adopted by the commissioner. When any applicant, upon inspection by the commissioner, is found not to meet the requirements of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter, the commissioner may issue either a temporary license for a specified period not to exceed 90 days, during which time corrections specified by the commissioner must be made by the applicant for compliance, or a conditional license setting forth conditions that must be met by the applicant to the satisfaction of the commissioner.

A license is <u>may be</u> issued for a <u>one year, 2 year</u> or <u>3 year</u> period <u>of up to 3 years</u>. Licenses for a period in excess of one year may only be issued with the agreement of or at the request of the applicant. The fee for a 2-year license is 2 times the annual fee. The fee for a 3-year license is 3 times the annual fee. The prescribed fee must accompany the application for license. Licenses may be renewed upon application and payment of the fees, subject to the commissioner's rules and regulations. Licenses erroneously issued by the commissioner are considered void and must be returned to the commissioner on demand.