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LAWS

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- do so. Compliance with the provisions of this subsection is a requirement for basic school approval pursuant to sections 2902 and 4502.
- **Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §2902, sub-§7,** as amended by PL 1997, c. 266, §5, is further amended to read:
- **7. Approval rules.** Meet the requirements applicable to the approval of private schools for attendance purposes adopted jointly by the state board and the commissioner; and
- **Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §2902, sub-§8,** as enacted by PL 1997, c. 266, §6, is amended to read:
- **8. Release of student records.** Upon the request of a school unit, release copies of all student records for students transferring from the private school to the school unit; and
- Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §2902, sub-§9 is enacted to read:
- **9.** Medication. Meet the requirements for administering medication under section 254, subsection 5.
- **Sec. 5. 20-A MRSA §4502, sub-§5, ¶L,** as amended by PL 1997, c. 428, §2, is further amended to read:
 - L. Prepare Preparation and implement implementation of an ongoing school improvement process and annually the annual update of a written school improvement plan, including a fully developed staff development plan for identifying at-risk students in kindergarten to grade 12, including, but not limited to, truants and dropouts and the development of appropriate alternative programs to meet their needs; and
- **Sec. 6. 20-A MRSA §4502, sub-§5, ¶M,** as enacted by PL 1997, c. 428, §3, is amended to read:
 - M. The use of time-out areas, administered in accordance with standards adopted by the department and with this paragraph. The use of a time-out area is subject to the following:
 - (1) The time-out area must be well ventilated and sufficiently lighted. The time-out area may not be locked; and
 - (2) The time-out area must be designed to ensure the safety of the student so that the student is supervised by a professional staff member in the room or can be observed from outside of the time-out area and can be heard by a person supervising the time-out area- ; and

- Sec. 7. 20-A MRSA $\S4502$, sub- $\S5$, \PN is enacted to read:
 - N. Preparation of a written local policy and implementation of training for all unlicensed personnel who administer medication in accordance with the requirements under section 254, subsection 5.
- **Sec. 8. Policy implementation.** The Commissioner of Education in cooperation with public and approved private schools shall establish and implement the provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 254, subsection 5, paragraph B, no later than the start of the 2001-02 school year.
- **Sec. 9. Rule-making guidelines.** The rules developed by the Commissioner of Education for the training of unlicensed personnel who administer medications pursuant to the Maine Revised Statues, Title 20-A, section 254, subsection 5, paragraph A must follow the training model and use the training manual developed by the School Health Advisory Committee.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 670

S.P. 942 - L.D. 2472

An Act to Increase the Penalty for Leaving the Scene of a Motor Vehicle Accident

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

- Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2252, sub-§5 is enacted to read:
- 5. Aggravated punishment category. Not-withstanding subsection 4, a person commits a Class C crime if that person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly fails to comply with this section and the accident resulted in serious bodily injury, as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 23, or death.

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CHAPTER 671

H.P. 1760 - L.D. 2466

An Act to Promote the Safe Conduct of Fireworks Displays in the State of Maine