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E. Have any liquor or imitation liquor in the minor's possession except:

(1) In the scope of the minor's employment; or

(2) In the minor's own <u>a</u> home in the presence of the minor's parent, legal guardian or custodian, as defined in Title 22, section 4002; or

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#### **CHAPTER 10**

#### H.P. 37 - L.D. 46

#### An Act to Allow Funeral Escort Vehicles in a Funeral Procession to be Equipped with Flashing Yellow Lights

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2054, sub-§2, ¶H is enacted to read:

H. A vehicle in a funeral procession may be equipped with a flashing light. The light must emit a yellow beam of light. The light may not be more than 5 inches in diameter and must be placed on the dashboard. The light must be shielded so that the emitted light does not interfere with the operator's vision. The flashing light may be used only when the vehicle is used in a funeral procession.

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#### **CHAPTER 11**

#### H.P. 27 - L.D. 27

#### An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Commission on Child Abuse

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

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3884,** as amended by PL 1999, c. 529, §§2 to 4, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §3884-A is enacted to read:

#### §3884-A. Duties of board; powers of board

**1. Duties.** The board shall:

A. Develop a biennial working plan for trust activities that sets overall statewide goals and objectives for child abuse prevention activities, establishes priorities for distribution of money in the fund and provides a working plan for the trust for the biennium. In developing the plan, the board may:

> (1) Review and evaluate existing prevention programs, including high-quality child care options;

> (2) Ensure that equal opportunity exists for the establishment of prevention programs and receipt of money from the fund among all geographic areas in the State; and

> (3) Review and evaluate public and private funding sources;

B. Develop, initiate, propose or recommend ideas for innovations in rules, laws, policies and programs concerning child abuse and neglect to the Governor, the Legislature, state executive agencies, the business community and other entities. The board may also assist in the coordination and exchange of information and the maintenance of prevention programs;

C. Publicize criteria and review applications for grants and award those grants to recipients that best address the purposes of this chapter and submit to the Legislature the list of both successful and unsuccessful applicants who have allowed their names to be placed on the list along with reasons for and against the application;

D. Establish a process for monitoring and review of grants awarded pursuant to this chapter;

E. As a primary prevention activity of the trust, develop and implement a campaign to provide statewide education and public information to enhance public awareness concerning child abuse and neglect;

F. Enter into contracts with public or private agencies and accept gifts or grants from federal, state or private sources to carry out this chapter:

G. Employ staff as the board determines necessary to implement its responsibilities;

H. Cooperate with and avail itself of the services of governmental agencies and the University of Maine System and cooperate with, assist and otherwise encourage local or regional, private or public organizations in the various communities of the State in the prevention of abuse and neglect among children in the community and the State; and