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IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §85, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 764, §1, is amended to read:

6. Ambulance operator course. By January 1, ~~2003~~ 2004, a person whose job description includes operating an ambulance in an emergency mode or transporting a patient must possess certification of successful completion of a basic ambulance vehicle operator course, or a course that has been approved by the board as an equivalent, in order to operate an ambulance in an emergency mode or to transport a patient. This requirement applies to all paid and volunteer ambulance operators and transporters. This requirement is in addition to vehicle operator requirements of Title 29-A or other law. A person whose job description includes operating an ambulance in an emergency mode or transporting a patient who successfully completes a basic ambulance vehicle operator course or a course that has been approved by the board as an equivalent may apply to the board for reimbursement for the cost of the course.

Sec. 2. PL 1999, c. 764, §2 is amended to read:

Sec. 2. Pilot project. The Department of Public Safety, Maine Emergency Medical Services shall conduct a pilot project to provide training for ambulance operators required under this Act and explore alternative funding sources for that training. Maine Emergency Medical Services shall hire a consultant through a competitive bidding process to set up, conduct and report on the results of the pilot project. Maine Emergency Medical Services shall report on the results of the pilot project to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over public safety matters by January 1, ~~2004~~ 2002. The report must contain a plan for implementation of this Act and any necessary implementing legislation. Following review of the report, the committee may introduce a bill regarding ambulance operator training to the ~~First~~ Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

Effective April 11, 2001.

CHAPTER 46

H.P. 244 - L.D. 280

An Act Concerning Recordkeeping in Relation to Employment of Minors

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §781, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. De minimis violations of section 774. Notwithstanding subsection 1, absent a finding that reasonably suggests a pattern of knowing and intentional conduct, the bureau may disregard the following violations of section 774:

A. A violation of the limits on the time that work may begin or end under section 774, subsection 1, paragraph F or G or section 744, subsection 2, paragraph F, as long as the violation is no greater than 10 minutes per day;

B. A violation of the number of hours a minor may work in any day under section 774, subsection 1, paragraph B, C or D or section 774, subsection 2, paragraph C or D, as long as the violation is not greater than 10 minutes per day; and

C. A violation of the number of hours worked in a week under section 774, subsection 1, paragraph A or B or section 774, subsection 2, paragraph A or B, as long as the violation is not greater than 50 minutes in a week.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 47

H.P. 341 - L.D. 431

An Act to Amend the Credit for Reinsurance Provisions of the Maine Insurance Code

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §601, sub-§26 is enacted to read:

26. Accreditation as reinsurer. Application fee for accreditation as reinsurer \$500.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §731-B, sub-§1, ¶B-1 is enacted to read:

B-1. Is accredited as a reinsurer in this State, in accordance with the following standards.

(1) To apply for accreditation, a reinsurer shall file with the superintendent a written application on a form prescribed by the superintendent, accompanied by the fee prescribed in section 601, subsection 26 and an agreement to submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of this State and to the authority