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**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**J.S. McCarthy Company**  
**Augusta, Maine**  
**2001**

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7457, sub-§1, ¶J** is enacted to read:

J. The commissioner may establish a youth deer hunting day by rule. Rules adopted pursuant to this paragraph are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 132**

**H.P. 530 - L.D. 685**

**An Act to Allow a Person with a Disability to Ride in Vehicles Being Towed**

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

**Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2061, sub-§2, ¶¶B and C**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, are amended to read:

B. A trailer being utilized for farming or agricultural purposes; ~~or~~

C. A trolley trailer, as defined in section 101, subsection 87, when all passengers on the trolley trailer are seated and the towing machine does not exceed 10 miles per hour; ~~or~~

**Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2061, sub-§2, ¶D** is enacted to read:

D. A person with a disability, as defined in section 521, in a vehicle that requires road service when it is not practical to transport the person with a disability by any other means.

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**CHAPTER 133**

**S.P. 239 - L.D. 807**

**An Act to Provide for Plenary Proceedings in Actions for Forcible Entry and Detainer**

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

**Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §6012, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 448, §4, is amended to read:

**1. Action to resolve dispute.** If 2 or more persons claim rights in, title to or possession of personal property, any claimant may bring an action in District Court to resolve a dispute among the claimants. The plaintiff has the option of bringing the action by way of summary proceeding or plenary proceeding.

**Sec. 2. 14 MRSA §6012, sub-§5**, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 448, §4, is repealed and the following enacted in its place.

**5. Rules.** If the action for forcible entry and detainer of personal property is brought as a summary proceeding, the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 80D applies. If the action is brought as a plenary proceeding, the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, other than Rule 80D(a)-(e), apply, except as otherwise provided by statute.

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**CHAPTER 134**

**H.P. 734 - L.D. 954**

**An Act to Amend the Protection from Abuse and Protection from Harassment Laws**

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §4651, sub-§2, ¶C**, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 650, §1, is amended to read:

C. A single act or course of conduct constituting a violation of section 4681; Title 17, section 2931; or Title 17-A, sections 201, 202, 203, 204, 207, 208, 209, 210, 210-A, 211, 253, 301, 302, 303, 506-A, 511, 556, 802, 805 or 806.

**Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §4654, sub-§5**, as amended by PL 1999, c. 542, §1, is further amended to read:

**5. Service of order.** If the court issues a temporary order or orders emergency or interim relief, the court shall order a law enforcement agency or, if the defendant is present in the courthouse, a court security officer qualified pursuant to Title 4, section 17, subsection 15 to serve the defendant personally with the order, the petition and the summons. ~~To protect the plaintiff, the court may order the omission or deletion of the plaintiff's address from any papers served on the defendant.~~

**Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §4655, sub-§1, ¶C-2** is enacted to read: