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or federal block grant funds, unless such federal funds are approved by the Legislature. The ~~Governor may authorize the expenditure of such federal funds may be authorized for a period not to exceed 12 calendar months and shall notify the Office of Fiscal and Program Review of such action in accordance with sections 1585 and 1667.~~

All departments and agencies that receive federal funds from the Federal Expenditures Fund or federal block grant funds shall, within 10 working days of receipt of any official notification from the Federal Government concerning the potential or actual increase or reduction in present funding, submit a copy of that notification to the Director of the Legislative Office of Fiscal and Program Review. In addition, departments and agencies shall, within 25 working days of that notification, submit in writing to the Director of the Legislative Office of Fiscal and Program Review their proposed plan of action to address the notification ~~which that~~ may include an appeal or an outline of the options that will be examined in detail and a time frame for the examination.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §1669-A, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 707, Pt. C, §1 and affected by §2, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 214

S.P. 110 - L.D. 336

An Act to Protect the Privacy of Maine Physicians

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §2600-A is enacted to read:

§2600-A. Confidentiality of personal information of applicant or licensee

An applicant or licensee shall provide the board with a current professional address and telephone number, which will be their public contact address, and a personal residence address and telephone number. An applicant's or licensee's personal residence address and telephone number is confidential information and may not be disclosed except as permitted by this section or as required by law, unless the personal residence address and telephone number have been provided as the public contact address. Personal health information submitted as part of any application is confidential information and may not be disclosed except as permitted by this section or as required by law. The personal health information and personal residence address and telephone number may

be provided to other governmental licensing or disciplinary authorities or to any health care providers located within or outside this State that are concerned with granting, limiting or denying a physician's employment or privileges.

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §3300-A is enacted to read:

§3300-A. Confidentiality of personal information of applicant or licensee

An applicant or licensee shall provide the board with a current professional address and telephone number, which will be their public contact address, and a personal residence address and telephone number. An applicant's or licensee's personal residence address and telephone number is confidential information and may not be disclosed except as permitted by this section or as required by law, unless the personal residence address and telephone number have been provided as the public contact address. Personal health information submitted as part of any application is confidential information and may not be disclosed except as permitted by this section or as required by law. The personal health information and personal residence address and telephone number may be provided to other governmental licensing or disciplinary authorities or to any health care providers located within or outside this State that are concerned with granting, limiting or denying a physician's employment or privileges.

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CHAPTER 215

H.P. 214 - L.D. 249

An Act to Amend the Rule-making Process Regarding the State's Plumbing Code

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Plumbers' Examining Board is scheduling a rule-making process to adopt a plumbing code by reference; and

Whereas, the proposed plumbing code to be adopted is disadvantageous to both the consumers of plumbing services and the municipal plumbing regulators who oversee plumbing installations; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preserva-