

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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

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**Penmor Lithographers**  
**Lewiston, Maine**  
**2004**

administration incurred by the Department of Public Safety.

(iv) The subject of a Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history record check may obtain a copy of the criminal history record check by following the procedures outlined in 28 Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 16.32 and 16.33. The subject of a state criminal history record check may inspect and review the criminal history record information pursuant to Title 16, section 620.

(v) State and federal criminal history record information may be used by the department for the purpose of screening prospective adoptive parents in determining whether the adoption is in the best interests of the child.

(vi) Information obtained pursuant to this paragraph is confidential. The results of background checks received by the department are for official use only and may not be disseminated outside the department except to a court considering an adoption petition under subsection (a-1).

(2) Rules adopted by the department pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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**CHAPTER 576**

**H.P. 1352 - L.D. 1829**

**An Act To Amend the Membership of the Children's Cabinet**

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §19131, sub-§2, ¶D,** as enacted by PL 1999, c. 785, §3 and amended by PL 2001, c. 354, §3, is further amended to read:

D. The Commissioner of Behavioral and Developmental Services; ~~and~~

**Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §19131, sub-§2, ¶E,** as enacted by PL 1999, c. 785, §3, is amended to read:

E. The Commissioner of Public Safety; <sub>;</sub>

**Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §19131, sub-§2, ¶¶F and G** are enacted to read:

F. The Commissioner of Labor; and

G. At the discretion of the Governor, a member of the public, appointed by the Governor.

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**CHAPTER 577**

**H.P. 470 - L.D. 640**

**An Act To Reduce the Voting Age Qualification for State Primary Elections for Voters Who Will Reach 18 Years of Age by the Time of the General Election**

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

**Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §111-A** is enacted to read:

**§111-A. Voting age qualification for primary elections**

Notwithstanding section 111, subsection 2, a person who has not yet reached 18 years of age but will be 18 years of age at the time of a general election and meets all other qualifications in order to vote in a primary election may vote in the primary election for the selection of candidates to be on the ballot at that general election.

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**CHAPTER 578**

**H.P. 1408 - L.D. 1902**

**An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Relating to the Review of Agencies under the State Government Evaluation Act**

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

**Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §959, sub-§1, ¶A,** as amended by PL 2001, c. 548, §1, is further amended to read:

A. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over agriculture, conservation and forestry matters shall use the following list as a guideline for scheduling reviews: