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

Effective May 20, 2005.

#### CHAPTER 141

### H.P. 735 - L.D. 1082

#### An Act To Prohibit Passing in Designated No-passing Zones

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2070, sub-§5, ¶¶B and C, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, are amended to read:

B. When approaching within 100 feet of or traversing an intersection or railroad grade crossing, except when turning to the left to enter an intersecting way; or

C. When the view is obstructed within 100 feet of a bridge, viaduct or tunnel-:

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2070, sub-§5, ¶¶D and E are enacted to read:

D. When the single center line highway marking method is used and an unbroken painted line is marked on the way, except in an emergency; or

E. When the double center line highway marking method is used and an unbroken painted line is marked on the way in the operator's lane, except in an emergency.

Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §2070, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

7. Evidence. The placing on a roadway of highmarkings conforming to this chapter is prima facie evidence that the markings have been placed by the official act or direction of lawful authority.

See title page for effective date.

## **CHAPTER 142**

### H.P. 536 - L.D. 759

#### An Act To Provide For Special Antlerless Deer Permits to Certain Disabled Hunters

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11152, sub-§2, as affected by PL 2003, c. 614, §9 and repealed and replaced by c. 655, Pt. B, §120 and affected by §422, is amended to read:

2. Authority to regulate taking of antlerless deer. The commissioner may regulate the taking of antlerless deer within an area of the State as necessary to maintain deer populations in balance with available habitat if the demarcation of each area follows recognizable physical boundaries such as rivers, roads and railroad rights-of-way. This subsection does not apply to a person with a special antlerless deer permit under subsection 7.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11152, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

7. Special antlerless deer permit. The commissioner shall issue a special antlerless deer permit to an eligible person who is a resident and is suffering from the loss of or the permanent loss of use of both lower extremities. The commissioner shall issue a permit upon application and after the applicant verifies that person's ambulatory disability with a letter signed by a physician licensed in the State confirming the person's condition. A person who is issued a special antlerless deer permit under this subsection may take an antlerless deer in any part of the State open to the taking of antlerless deer pursuant to subsection 3.

See title page for effective date.

### CHAPTER 143

H.P. 623 - L.D. 873

#### An Act To Give 2 Moose Hunting Permits to Hunt of a Lifetime

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11154, sub-§13 is enacted to read:

**13.** Hunting adventure permits for children. Notwithstanding subsection 6 and section 11102, the commissioner may issue 2 moose permits to a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing hunting and fishing adventures to children under 21 years of age with life-threatening, critical or terminal illnesses. The commissioner may issue these permits upon written request by an eligible nonprofit organization but may not issue more than 2 permits in total for a calendar year. These permits are in addition to the