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shall post those documents on the department's publicly accessible website.

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CHAPTER 250

H.P. 540 - L.D. 763

An Act Regarding the Collection, Use, Verification and Storage of Social Security Numbers

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1301, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2001, c. 671, §24, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA \$1301, sub-\$6, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 537, \$59 and affected by \$62, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

6. Social security number. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the social security number of any applicant for a license or nondriver identification card must be recorded on the application, and the Secretary of State may not issue a license or nondriver identification card to a person who does not possess and provide a valid social security number. The Secretary of State shall collect, store and verify the social security number of an applicant for a license or nondriver identification card and may use that number to establish a permanent license number or nondriver identification number. This subsection does not apply to a person who provides written proof to the Secretary of State that the person is ineligible to receive a social security number.

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CHAPTER 251

S.P. 439 - L.D. 1259

An Act To Sustain Maine Schools and Libraries

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

Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §7104-B, sub-§3, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 409, §2, is amended to read:

A. Limit the amount collected to no more than 0.5% 0.7% of retail charges for telecommunications services as determined by the commission, excluding interstate tolls or interstate private line services;

Sec. 2. Report; authority to report out legislation. By January 30, 2006, the Public Utilities Commission shall provide a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy detailing the status of available revenues and expenditures, including federal funds, for the schools and libraries program supported by the telecommunications education access fund established under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 7104-B. The Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy may report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 122nd Legislature concerning the subject of the Public Utilities Commission report.

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CHAPTER 252

H.P. 463 - L.D. 630

An Act Regarding Possession of Prescription Drugs

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

Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1107-A, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

4. It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under subsection 1, paragraphs C to F that the person possessed a valid prescription for the scheduled drug or controlled substance that is the basis for the charge and that, at all times, the person intended the drug to be used only for legitimate medical use in conformity with the instructions provided by the prescriber and dispenser.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §2383-B, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1999, c. 127, Pt. A, §35, is further amended to read:

1. Lawfully prescribed drugs. A person to whom or for whose use any scheduled drug, prescription drug or controlled substance has been prescribed, sold or dispensed for a legitimate medical purpose by a physician, dentist, podiatrist, pharmacist or other person acting in the usual course of professional practice and authorized by law or rule to do so and the owner or the person having the custody or control of any animal for which any scheduled drug, prescription drug or controlled substance has been prescribed, sold or dispensed for a legitimate veterinary medical purpose by a licensed veterinarian acting in the usual course of professional veterinary practice may lawfully possess the drug or substance, except when in use, only in the container in which it was delivered by the person selling or dispensing the drug or substance. For purposes of this subsection, "when in use'