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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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(7) The Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf;

Sec. 16. 26 MRSA §1419-A, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2003, c. 553, Pt. A, §3, is further amended to read:

4. Specialized customer communications equipment needs in public school system. The Department of Education, in consultation with the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf and advocacy groups for deaf and hard-of-hearing persons and for the information technology interests of consumers, shall conduct an annual survey of all public schools in the State for the purpose of assessing the need for specialized customer communications equipment in the school system and report its findings to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over labor matters. The report must include: the number of deaf and hard-of-hearing students and their needs for specialized customer communications equipment; the availability of specialized customer communications equipment; the number of requests for specialized customer communications equipment; and the status of training for teachers and other school personnel in the use of specialized customer communications equipment.

Sec. 17. 35-A MRSA §8704, sub-§1, ¶E, as amended by PL 2001, c. 377, §3, is further amended to read:

E. Eight members appointed by the Governor as follows:

- (1) One member from the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf;
- (2) One member from a statewide association for the deaf;
- (3) One member from a center on deafness;
- (4) One member from a company providing telecommunications relay service in this State;
- (5) One member of a telephone association in this State;
- (6) Two members from the general public who must rely on TTYs for telecommunications; and
- ~~7.~~ (7) One member representing a cellular or wireless service provider.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 280

H.P. 884 - L.D. 1287

An Act Pertaining to the Use of Muzzle-loading Firearms during Muzzle-loading Deer Season

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11404, sub-§1, as amended by PL 2003, c. 614, §4 and affected by §9, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11404, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Muzzle-loading-only open season on deer. There is a special muzzle-loading open season on deer immediately following the regular deer hunting season established under section 11401, subsection 1, paragraph A for the purpose of hunting deer only with:

A. A muzzleloader as defined in section 10001, subsection 42-A that is 40 caliber or greater and capable of firing only a single charge;

B. A muzzle-loading shotgun as defined in section 10001, subsection 42-B; or

C. A traditional muzzleloader as defined in section 10001, subsection 62-A that uses projectiles that are 40 caliber or greater or that uses buckshot.

The commissioner may terminate this open season at any time in an area if, in the commissioner's opinion, an immediate emergency action is necessary due to adverse weather conditions or severe hunting pressure. The length of the special muzzle-loading season is as follows.

The commissioner shall establish by rule the length of the special muzzle-loading season. The commissioner may establish seasons of different lengths in different regions of the State. The season may extend for no more than 12 hunting days in any part of the State.

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CHAPTER 281

H.P. 129 - L.D. 178

An Act To Support Animal Welfare

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