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harbor master for the cost of training under this section.

3. Additional training. Nothing in this section may be construed to prohibit a municipality from requiring a harbor master or deputy harbor master to obtain training beyond that required by this section.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 526

S.P. 627 - L.D. 1682

An Act To Support Sibling Rights in Child Welfare Custody Matters

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

- **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4036, sub-§1, ¶F-2** is enacted to read:
 - F-2. Visitation between the child and a sibling pursuant to section 4068;
 - Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §4068 is enacted to read:

§4068. Sibling visitation

- 1. Visitation. If the court determines that it is reasonable, practicable and in the best interests of the children involved, the court shall order the custodian of the child who is the subject of the child protection proceeding and any party who is the custodian of a sibling of the child to make the children available for visitation with each other. The court may order a schedule and conditions pursuant to which the visits are to occur.
- 2. Siblings separated through adoption. The department shall make reasonable efforts to establish agreements with prospective adoptive parents that provide for reasonable contact between an adoptive child and the child's siblings when the department believes that the contact will be in the children's best interests.
- 3. Request of child. In a child protection proceeding, a child may request visitation rights pursuant to subsection 1 with a sibling from whom the child has been separated as a result of the child protection proceeding.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 527

H.P. 1403 - L.D. 2001

An Act To Implement Recommendations of the Criminal Law Advisory Commission

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

Sec. 1. 15 MRSA c. 15, as amended, is further amended by repealing the chapter headnote and enacting the following in its place:

CHAPTER 15

POSSESSION OF FIREARMS OR CROSSBOWS BY PROHIBITED PERSONS

- **Sec. 2. 15 MRSA §393, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 419, §7 and affected by §12, is further amended to read:
- **1. Possession prohibited.** A person may not own, possess or have under that person's control a firearm or crossbow, unless that person has obtained a permit under this section, if that person:
 - A-1. Has been convicted of committing or found not criminally responsible by reason of mental disease or defect insanity of committing:
 - (1) A crime in this State that is punishable by imprisonment for a term of one year or more;
 - (2) A crime under the laws of the United States that is punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year;
 - (3) A crime under the laws of any other state that, in accordance with the laws of that jurisdiction, is punishable by a term of imprisonment exceeding one year. This subparagraph does not include a crime under the laws of another state that is classified by the laws of that state as a misdemeanor and is punishable by a term of imprisonment of 2 years or less;
 - (4) A crime under the laws of any other state that, in accordance with the laws of that jurisdiction, does not come within subparagraph (3) but is elementally substantially similar to a crime in this State that is punishable by a term of imprisonment for one year or more; or
 - (5) A crime under the laws of the United States, this State or any other state or the