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registration plate within 150 miles of the registered owner's farm; when the vehicle is:

- (a) Controlled and operated by a farmer, including operation by the farmer's employees or family members;
- (b) Used to transport agricultural products, farm machinery or farm supplies to or from a farm;
- (c) Not used in the operation of a common or contract motor carrier; and
- (d) Used within 150 miles of the registered owner's farm;
- (5) A person, employed by a city, town, county, district or other unit of local government created by or pursuant to law that has a total population of 3,000 individuals or less, to operate a commercial motor vehicle within the boundaries of that unit of local government for the purpose of removing snow or ice from a roadway by plowing, sanding or salting, if:
  - (a) The properly licensed employee who ordinarily operates a commercial motor vehicle for those purposes is unable to operate the vehicle; or
  - (b) The employing governmental entity determines that a snow or ice emergency exists that requires additional assistance; or
- (6) A person to operate a truck registered as an antique automobile, regardless of weight or combination weight, provided the vehicle is used for noncommercial recreational purposes or purposes pursuant to section 101, subsection 3.

See title page for effective date.

#### **CHAPTER 680**

S.P. 411 - L.D. 1183

#### An Act Regarding Access to Mental Health Services

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

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-FF, sub-§3,** ¶C, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 673, Pt. MMM, §1, is amended to read:

C. A member is eligible for psychological services benefits for individual and group counseling. Benefits for one or both types of counseling combined are limited to a total of 16 one-hour visits per year, except that the department may increase the maximum number of visits for psychological services to 24 visits in a 12-month period as long as any cost associated with this increase is offset by savings from managing the use of these services by methods that may include prior authorization.

See title page for effective date.

#### **CHAPTER 681**

H.P. 702 - L.D. 1018

An Act To Require a Criminal Background Check for the Initial Licensure of Emergency Medical Services Personnel

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

**Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §85, sub-§3,** as amended by PL 2001, c. 474, §1, is further amended to read:

- 3. Minimum requirements for initial licensing. In setting rules for the initial licensure of emergency medical services persons, the board shall ensure that a person is not licensed to care for patients unless that person's qualifications are at least those specified in this subsection. Any person who meets these conditions is considered to have the credentials and skill demonstrations necessary for licensure to provide emergency medical treatment.
  - A. The person must have completed successfully the training specified in rules adopted by the board pursuant to the Maine Administrative Procedure Act.
  - B. The person must have successfully completed cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification requirements as specified in rules adopted by the board pursuant to the Maine Administrative Procedure Act.
  - C. The person must have successfully completed a state written and practical test for basic emergency medical treatment.

The board shall obtain criminal history record information containing a record of conviction data from the Maine Criminal Justice Information System for an applicant seeking initial licensure under this subsection. Information obtained pursuant to this subsection is confidential and may be used only to