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ter with the State Tax Assessor on forms prescribed and supplied by the assessor. A copy of the registration certificate must be displayed in each place of business of that distributor.

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CHAPTER 408

H.P. 193 - L.D. 222

An Act To Ensure the Integrity of School Crisis Response Plans

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §1001, sub-§16, as amended by PL 2001, c. 588, §10, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Comprehensive emergency management 16. plan. Each school board shall annually approve a comprehensive emergency management plan developed by the school unit administration working with school teachers and staff and local, county and state public safety officials, fire-fighting personnel, emergency management officials, mental health officials and law enforcement officials to identify and deal with all hazards and potential hazards that could reasonably be expected to affect a facility or unit under the authority of the school administrative unit. The approval of a comprehensive emergency management plan under this subsection is public information. The following information pertaining to a comprehensive emergency management plan is public information:

A. A description of the scope and purpose of the comprehensive emergency management plan and the process used for developing and updating the plan:

B. General information on auditing for safety and preparedness;

C. Roles and responsibilities of school administrators, teachers and staff and the designated chain of command during an emergency; and

D. Strategies for conveying information to parents and the general public during an emergency.

Except as provided in paragraphs A to D, release of the contents of a comprehensive emergency management plan approved under this subsection is subject to the limitations set forth in Title 1, section 402, subsection 3, paragraph L.

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CHAPTER 409

H.P. 802 - L.D. 1084

An Act To Provide Adult Adoptees Access to Their Original Birth Certificates

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

Sec. 1. 18-A MRSA §9-310, first \P , as enacted by PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. C, §7 and affected by Pt. E, §2, is amended to read:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law <u>and</u> <u>except as provided in Title 22, section 2768</u>, all Probate Court records relating to any adoption decreed on or after August 8, 1953 are confidential. The Probate Court shall keep records of those adoptions segregated from all other court records. If a judge of probate court determines that examination of records pertaining to a particular adoption is proper, the judge may authorize that examination by specified persons, authorize the register of probate to disclose to specified persons any information contained in the records by letter, certificate or copy of the record or authorize a combination of both examination and disclosure.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §2765, sub-§2-A, ¶C, as amended by PL 2001, c. 574, §24, is further amended to read:

C. When a new certificate of birth is established following adoption or legitimation, it must be substituted for the original certificate of birth. After that substitution, the original certificate of birth and the evidence of adoption are not subject to inspection except upon order of the Probate Court or the Superior Court <u>or pursuant to section</u> <u>2768</u>. The application for legitimation may be released to persons listed on the original birth certificate upon completion of written application to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics or the registrar's designee.

Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §2765, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1979, c. 168, §2, is further amended to read:

5. Copies of original certificate. When the new certificate of birth is established, the state registrar shall provide each municipal clerk who is required by law to have a copy of the certificate of birth on file with a copy of the new certificate of birth. In the case of a Maine certificate of birth established for a person born in a foreign country, a copy of the certificate shall <u>must</u> be provided to and shall <u>must</u> be maintained on file by the clerk of the municipality where the adoptive parents resided on the date of the adoption. All copies of the original certificate in the custody of any municipal clerk shall <u>must</u> be sealed from inspection, except as provided in section 2768, or surren-