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## **LAWS**

#### **OF THE**

# STATE OF MAINE

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its successor; a representative from the Disability Rights Center, or its successor; a representative from the Maine Center on Deafness, or its successor; a representative from the Assistance Canine Educations and Support, Inc., or its successor; and a representative of the medical community; and be it further

Sec. 2. Task force duties. Resolved: That the task force shall review the following issues within the parameters of applicable federal and state laws: proposed changes to the statutory definition of service dog; criteria or documentation that town clerks must use to verify a dog as a service animal to qualify for the license fee exemption; proposed revisions to the Maine Revised Statutes to clarify the rights of and protections for people with disabilities who use service animals; proposed revisions necessary to the Maine Revised Statutes to provide clarification to business owners of their rights and responsibilities concerning service animals; and proposals for any specific criteria that may be required for consideration by medical practitioners when prescribing the use of a service animal: and be it further

Sec. 3. Reporting date established. Resolved: That no later than January 15, 2008 the Commissioner of Labor shall submit a report with findings and recommendations following the review under section 2 including any recommended legislative changes to the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development. The Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development is authorized to submit legislation on the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

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### CHAPTER 97 H.P. 348 - L.D. 449

#### Resolve, To Support Creative Economy Businesses

Sec. 1. Stakeholder meeting to address the needs of those involved with the creative economy. Resolved: That the Director of the State Planning Office within the Executive Department shall meet with the Maine Arts Commission and other stakeholders involved with the creative economy to gather ideas for improving and expanding living and work space for people engaged in the creative economy, as well as to review current state and local efforts for enhancing the availability of capital resources and to encourage creativity and economic stability for individuals and businesses engaged in the creative economy; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That, no later than February 15, 2008, the Director of the State Planning

Office within the Executive Department shall report to the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development regarding the stakeholder meeting conducted pursuant to section 1. The Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development is authorized to submit legislation on the subject matter of this resolve to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

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### CHAPTER 98 H.P. 757 - L.D. 1039

Resolve, Directing the Maine Criminal Justice Academy Board of Trustees To Develop and Implement Law Enforcement Training Regarding the Determination of the Predominant Aggressor in Domestic Violence Situations

Sec. 1. Board of Trustees of Maine Criminal Justice Academy to establish and implement training regarding determination of predominant aggressors in domestic violence situations. Resolved: That the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy is directed to establish and implement training regarding the determination of predominant aggressors in domestic violence situations for law enforcement officers no later than June 30, 2008; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy is directed to report its progress regarding the implementation of training regarding the determination of predominant aggressors in domestic violence situations to law enforcement officers to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety no later than April 1, 2008.

See title page for effective date.

### CHAPTER 99 S.P. 138 - L.D. 437

# Resolve, Concerning the Reporting of Oil Spills

Sec. 1. Department of Environmental Protection guidance. Resolved: That the Department of Environmental Protection shall establish guidance concerning the use of memoranda of agreement between aboveground oil and storage and handling facilities and the Department of Environmental Protec-