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**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2011**

Title 37-B, section 102, or the United States Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, whether pursuant to orders of the Governor or the President of the United States, when the duty assignment is in a combat theater, in an area where armed conflict is taking place or in an area away from a person's normal duty station;

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**CHAPTER 14**

**H.P. 293 - L.D. 367**

**An Act To Amend the Laws  
Regarding Noncommercial  
Foreign Vessels**

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

**Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §87-A, sub-§1, ¶D,** as amended by PL 1999, c. 355, §7, is further amended to read:

D. The vessel on regularly scheduled ferry operations between Bar Harbor, Maine and Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, provided that the master of such vessel has completed an appropriate number of trips, as established by commission rules and has met any appropriate federal requirements;

**Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §87-A, sub-§1, ¶E,** as amended by PL 1999, c. 355, §7, is further amended to read:

E. All military ships navigating the Kennebec River to and from the Bath Iron Works Corporation for the purpose of accomplishing overhaul, repair, post shakedown availability and sea trials; and

**Sec. 3. 38 MRSA §87-A, sub-§1, ¶F** is enacted to read:

F. Noncommercial foreign vessels with overall length of under 200 feet.

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**CHAPTER 15**

**H.P. 151 - L.D. 174**

**An Act To Amend the Law  
Governing Employment,  
Discipline and Dismissal of  
Chief Deputy Sheriffs**

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

**Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §383, sub-§5** is enacted to read:

**5. Minimum qualifications.** The chief deputy must meet the minimum qualifications for sheriffs pursuant to section 371-B, subsection 3.

**Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §501, sub-§5** is enacted to read:

**5. Application to chief deputy.** Subsections 1, 2 and 3 do not apply to the appointment, dismissal, suspension or discipline of a chief deputy by a sheriff.

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**CHAPTER 16**

**H.P. 55 - L.D. 67**

**An Act Relating to  
Standardbred Horse Breeding**

**Emergency preamble.** **Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** it is important to the future of the Maine Standardbred horse breed that the best breeding stallions be available; and

**Whereas,** it is necessary for this legislation to take effect sooner than 90 days after adjournment of the First Regular Session in order to make available the best breeding opportunities; and

**Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. 8 MRSA §281-B** is enacted to read:

**§281-B. Registration of stallions**

For the 2011 and 2012 breeding seasons as defined in rule by the commission adopted under section 281, a person may register a stallion with the commission between January 1st and July 15th to stand at stud in the State and the offspring of that stallion conceived during that breeding season may be registered as a Maine Standardbred under section 281 as long as all other requirements for registration established in rule adopted under section 281 are met. A person who registers a stallion under this section must pay a late fee as established by rule adopted under section 281 in addition to the registration fee established in rule.

This section is repealed December 31, 2012.