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CHAPTER 48

S.P. 71 - L.D. 220

An Act Relating to Maine Farm Wineries

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

Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1355, sub-§3, ¶E is enacted to read:

E. A holder of a farm winery license may display up to 25 bottles in the windows of any premises maintained and licensed as permitted premises under paragraph C where wine produced by the holder of the farm winery license is sold.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 49

H.P. 111 - L.D. 129

An Act To Eliminate Dual Certification Requirements for Speech-language Pathologists

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13011, sub-§1, ¶**A**, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 845, §4, is amended to read:

A. Certify teachers and other professional personnel for service in a public school or in an approved private school, except that certification is not required for a person holding a valid license as a speech-language pathologist under Title 32, section 17301 who has received approval pursuant to section 13024 to provide speech-language pathology services in a public school or approved private school;

Sec. 2. State Board of Education to revise rules. The State Board of Education shall revise rules adopted under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 13011 to be consistent with that section of this Act that amends Title 20-A, section 13011, subsection 1, paragraph A, to provide that certification is not required for a licensed speech-language pathologist who has been approved by the Department of Education to provide speech-language pathology services in a public school or approved private school pursuant to section 13024. Revisions to Rule 05-071, Chapter 115: Certification, Authorization, and Approval of Education Personnel and any other rule revisions necessary to implement this Act are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A and must be in effect no later than December 1, 2011.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 50

S.P. 172 - L.D. 580

An Act To Protect Children from Sexual Predators

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

Whereas, immediate action by the Legislature is necessary to close a loophole in the current statute regarding sexual exploitation of a minor in order to ensure prosecutors have the necessary tools to prosecute these cases and to better protect children; 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. 17-A MRSA §284, sub-§1, ¶A, as amended by PL 2005, c. 345, §1, is further amended to read:

A. Intentionally or knowingly transports, exhibits, purchases or, possesses <u>or accesses with intent</u> <u>to view</u> any book, magazine, newspaper, print, negative, slide, motion picture, computer data file, videotape or other mechanically, electronically or chemically reproduced visual image or material that the person knows or should know depicts another person engaging in sexually explicit conduct, and:

(1) The other person has not in fact attained 16 years of age; or

(2) The person knows or has reason to know that the other person has not attained 16 years of age.

Violation of this paragraph is a Class D crime;

Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §284, sub-§1, ¶C, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 711, Pt. B, §12, is amended to read:

C. Intentionally or knowingly transports, exhibits, purchases or, possesses or accesses with intent to view any book, magazine, newspaper, print, negative, slide, motion picture, computer data file,