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Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10103, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

2. Administration and enforcement. Except as provided by statute, the commissioner has general supervision of the administration and enforcement of the inland fisheries and wildlife laws and has the responsibility for the management of all inland fish and wildlife in the State. The commissioner has responsibility for investigations carried out on behalf of the State in matters related to the status and needs of any inland fisheries and wildlife species and is the representative of the State in providing information associated with the status and needs of these natural resources to municipalities, political subdivisions of the State and the Federal Government. The commissioner is authorized to enter into an interstate wildlife violator compact to promote compliance with the laws, regulations and rules that relate to the management of wildlife resources in the respective member states and may adopt rules necessary to implement certain provisions of the compact.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 221 H.P. 964 - L.D. 1318

An Act To Repeal the Law Regarding DNA Collection

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

Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §1574-A, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 294, §1, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 222 H.P. 1106 - L.D. 1505

An Act To Clarify the Scope of Practice of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors Regarding Tobacco Use

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

Whereas, tobacco use continues to take a significant and yet largely preventable toll on the health of Maine residents and drains the economic resources of the State; and

Whereas, tobacco addiction affects a large proportion of Maine residents; and

Whereas, licensed alcohol and drug counselors are available to provide assistance to Maine residents, and there is evidence to suggest that providing tobacco addiction counseling services concurrently with other addiction counseling services is effective; 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. 32 MRSA §6203-A, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 402, Pt. U, §2, is amended to read:

3. Alcohol and drug counseling services. "Alcohol and drug counseling services" are those counseling services offered for a fee, monetary or otherwise, as part of the treatment and rehabilitation of persons abusing alcohol or other drugs. The purpose of alcohol and drug counseling services is to help individuals, families and groups confront and resolve problems caused by the abuse of alcohol or other drugs. Alcohol and drug counseling services are the 12 core functions defined by rule of the board. "Alcohol and drug counseling services" includes nicotine addiction counseling and treatment services.

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §6206, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. Nicotine addiction counseling. Nothing in this chapter may be construed to require a person engaged in providing nicotine addiction counseling or treatment services to be licensed as an alcohol and drug counselor.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective June 3, 2011.

CHAPTER 223 H.P. 399 - L.D. 506

An Act To Prevent the Disclosure of Student Social Security Numbers

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §6005, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 448, §1, is amended to read: