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August 31st of every year. If the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources fails to make an appointment prior to the expiration of a member's term, that member continues to serve until the commissioner makes an appointment for the remainder of that term. If a vacancy occurs prior to the expiration of a specified term, the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources shall appoint an individual to serve only the remainder of that term.

- **Sec. 3. Report from Maine Potato Board.** No later than January 15, 2013, the Maine Potato Board shall report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over agricultural matters regarding the activities of the Seed Potato Board. The report must include a summary of the production, distribution and sales of seed potatoes in 2010, 2011 and 2012.
- **Sec. 4. Staggered terms.** Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, section 4312-C, subsection 4, the terms of members serving on the Wild Blueberry Commission of Maine on the effective date of this Act expire at the discretion of the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to accommodate the transition to terms beginning on September 1st. No later than August 15, 2012, the commissioner shall appoint 2 members to begin 4-year terms on September 1, 2012. In subsequent years, the commissioner shall appoint 2 members whose terms begin on September 1, 2013; 2 whose terms begin on September 1, 2014; and 2 whose terms begin on September 1, 2015.

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CHAPTER 580 H.P. 1203 - L.D. 1597

An Act To Make Certain Juvenile Case Records Confidential

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

- **Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §3301, sub-§6,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 196, §2, is further amended to read:
- 6. Review by attorney for the State. If the juvenile community corrections officer decides not to request the attorney for the State to file a petition, the juvenile community corrections officer shall inform the attorney for the State, the complainant, the law enforcement officer and the victim of the decision and of the reasons for the decision as soon as practicable. The juvenile community corrections officer shall advise the complainant, the law enforcement officer and the victim that they may submit their complaint to the attorney for the State for review.

If the juvenile community corrections officer makes a determination pursuant to subsection 5, paragraph A or B and decides not to request the attorney for the State to file a petition for a violation of Title 22, section 2389, subsection 2 or Title 28-A, section 2052, the juvenile community corrections officer shall inform the Secretary of State of the violation. The Secretary of State shall suspend for a period of 30 days that juvenile's license or permit to operate a motor vehicle, right to operate a motor vehicle and right to apply for and obtain a license. After the suspension is terminated, any record of the suspension is confidential and may be released only to a law enforcement officer or the courts for prosecution of violations of Title 29-A, section 2412-A.

The attorney for the State on that attorney's own motion or upon receiving a request for review by the law enforcement officer, the complainant or the victim, shall consider the facts of the case, consult with the juvenile community corrections officer who made the initial decision and then make a final decision as to whether to file the petition. The attorney for the State shall notify the juvenile community corrections officer of the final decision within 30 days of being informed by the juvenile community corrections officer of the initial decision. If a juvenile community corrections officer has not yet made an initial decision, the attorney for the State may file a petition at any time more than 30 days after the juvenile community corrections officer has been given notice pursuant to section 3203-A.

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CHAPTER 581 S.P. 301 - L.D. 955

An Act To Establish a Dental Adjudicatory Panel System

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

- **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1077, sub-§1,** as corrected by RR 2009, c. 2, §87, is amended to read:
- 1. Disciplinary proceedings and sanctions. Regarding noncompliance with or violation of this chapter or of rules adopted by the board, the board shall investigate a complaint on its own motion or upon receipt of a written complaint filed with the board.

The board shall notify the licensee of the content of a complaint filed against the licensee as soon as possible, but no later than 60 days from receipt of this information. The licensee shall respond within 30 days. If the licensee's response to the complaint satisfies the board that the complaint does not merit further inves-