

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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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**  
**2013**

1. **Fees.** The ~~board~~ bureau shall seek to establish fees under this section that are based on the incremental costs of providing public safety answering point services and dispatch services to political subdivisions.

2. **Base funding level.** In order to determine incremental costs under subsection 1, the ~~board~~ bureau shall first establish a base funding level, consistent with the department's legislatively approved budget for public safety answering point services and dispatch services, required to provide public safety answering point services and dispatch services to State Government entities. The base funding level must be based on services provided by the department prior to the provision of emergency dispatch and E-9-1-1 call-taking services to municipal and county governments as a result of actions taken by the bureau under section 1533. The base funding level must be excluded by the ~~board~~ bureau from its determination of incremental costs under subsection 1.

3. **Consideration of population.** If a fee established under this section for a political subdivision is based in whole or in part on population, the population of the political subdivision may not include persons held at a correctional facility, as defined in Title 34-A, section 1001, subsection 6, within the political subdivision.

**Sec. 6. Maine Revised Statutes headnote amended; revision clause.** In the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 25, chapter 192-B, in the chapter headnote, the words "maine communications system policy board" are amended to read "bureau of consolidated emergency communications" and the Revisor of Statutes shall implement this revision when updating, publishing or republishing the statutes.

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**CHAPTER 20**  
**S.P. 224 - L.D. 634**

**An Act Regarding Permits for  
Final Disposition of Dead  
Human Bodies**

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

**Sec. 1.** 22 MRSA §2843, sub-§§2 and 3, as amended by PL 2009, c. 601, §27, are further amended to read:

2. **Permit for disinterment or removal.** A dead human body may not be disinterred or removed from any vault or tomb until the person in charge of the disinterment or removal has obtained a permit from the State Registrar of Vital Statistics or from the clerk of the municipality where the dead human body is

buried or entombed. The permit must be issued upon receipt of a notarized application signed by the next of kin of the deceased who verifies that the signer is the closest surviving known relative and, ~~where when~~ any other family member of equal or greater legal or blood relationship or a domestic partner of the decedent also survives, that all such persons are aware of, and do not object to, the disinterment or removal. ~~Nothing contained in this~~ This subsection precludes does not preclude a court of competent jurisdiction from ordering or enjoining disinterment or removal pursuant to section 3029 or in other appropriate circumstances. For purposes of this subsection, "domestic partner" means one of 2 unmarried adults who are domiciled together under long-term arrangements that evidence a commitment to remain responsible indefinitely for each other's welfare.

3. **Permit for burial.** The person in charge of each burying ground or crematory in this State shall endorse, and provide the date the body was disposed of on, each such permit with which that person is presented, and return it to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics or to the clerk of the municipality in which such burying ground or crematory is located within 7 days after the date of disposition. If there is no person in charge of the burying ground, an official of the municipality in which the burying ground is located shall endorse, and provide the date the body was disposed of on, each such permit, and present it to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics or the clerk of the municipality. The funeral director or authorized person shall present a copy of each permit, after endorsement, to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics or the clerk of the municipality where death occurred and to the clerk who issued the permit.

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**CHAPTER 21**  
**H.P. 235 - L.D. 325**

**An Act To Repeal Provisions of  
the Law That Apply or Refer  
to State Facilities for Persons  
with Intellectual Disabilities**

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

**Sec. 1.** 4 MRSA §152, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2011, c. 542, Pt. A, §1 and c. 614, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

4. **Exclusive jurisdiction.** Original jurisdiction, not concurrent with that of the Superior Court, of mental health commitment hearings under Title 34-B, chapter 3, subchapter 4, habitual truancy actions under Title 20-A, chapters 119 and 211 under which equita-