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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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must permit the use of a crossbow during the spring open wild turkey hunting season.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 237
S.P. 77 - L.D. 241**

**An Act To Amend Certain
Laws Governing the Bureau of
Maine Veterans' Services**

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

Sec. 1. 37-B MRSA §505, sub-§2, ¶G, as enacted by PL 2001, c. 662, §66, is amended to read:

G. In order to be eligible for benefits under this subsection, a student must apply for a Federal Pell Grant under 20 United States Code, Section 1070a. The director shall estimate the number of students anticipated that will use this program and provide the estimate to state institutions upon request.

Sec. 2. 37-B MRSA §509, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 404, §7, is amended to read:

1. Certificate of release. A certificate of release or discharge ~~from~~ casualty report, death notice or other record pertaining to active duty service issued by the United States Government, classified by the United States Government as confidential and filed for safe-keeping with any state, county or local government authority is confidential for a period of 75 62 years following its filing date of issuance. During that 75-year 62-year period, it is unlawful for a person to permit inspection of the record, to disclose information contained in the record or to issue a copy of all or any part of the record except as authorized by this section or by court order. Nothing in this section may be construed to make a record confidential that is not directed to be confidential by the United States Government.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 238
S.P. 574 - L.D. 1519**

**An Act To Update the Maine
Insurance Code To Maintain
Conformance with Uniform
National Standards**

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

PART A

Sec. A-1. 24-A MRSA §216, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1999, c. 184, §19, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

5. In order to assist the superintendent in the regulation of insurers in this State, it is the duty of the superintendent to maintain as confidential a document or information received from the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or International Association of Insurance Supervisors, public officials of other jurisdictions and members of supervisory colleges in which the superintendent participates pursuant to section 222, subsection 7-B, agencies of the Federal Government or political subdivisions or other agencies of this State, if the document or the information has been provided to the superintendent with notice that it is confidential under the laws of the jurisdiction that is the source of the document or information.

A. Any information furnished pursuant to this subsection by or to the superintendent that has been designated confidential by the official, agency or other entity furnishing the information remains the property of the agency furnishing the information and must be held as confidential by the recipient of the information, except as authorized by the official, agency or other entity furnishing the information to the superintendent, with prior notice to interested parties and consistent with other applicable laws. The authority of the superintendent, pursuant to paragraph B, to permit further disclosure to a 3rd party or to the public of information shared by the superintendent is subject to the same requirements and conditions that apply if the superintendent discloses the information directly to a 3rd party or to the public.

B. The superintendent may share information, including otherwise confidential information, with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or International Association of Insurance Supervisors, public officials of other jurisdictions and members of supervisory colleges in which the superintendent participates pursuant to section 222, subsection 7-B, agencies of the Federal Government or political subdivisions or other agencies of this State, if the recipient of the information agrees to maintain the same level of confidentiality as is available under Maine law and has demonstrated that it has the legal authority to do so.

C. The superintendent may enter into one or more written agreements with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners governing sharing and using information under this subsection that:

(1) Specify procedures and protocols regarding the confidentiality and security of information shared with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and its affiliates