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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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Sec. 1. Bureau of Insurance to amend rules regarding 3rd-party notice of cancellation. Resolved: That the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance shall amend Bureau of Insurance Rule Chapter 580 to provide for a 3rd alternative method of satisfying 3rd-party notice requirements. This 3rd alternative must provide that when an insured pays the premium for a policy through a payroll deduction plan, any requirement for an insurer to collect 3rd-party notification information may be deferred until 60 days after the insured is no longer on the payroll plan. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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CHAPTER 40

S.P. 176 - L.D. 444

Resolve, Directing the Workers' Compensation Board To Study Improving Protections for Injured Workers Whose Employers Have Wrongfully Not Secured Workers' Compensation Payments

Sec. 1. Workers' Compensation Board to study and report. Resolved: That the Workers' Compensation Board shall conduct a study on the issue of improving protections for injured workers whose employers have wrongfully not secured workers' compensation payments, including the prevalence of the problem and potential funding sources to address the problem, and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development by January 30, 2014 with recommendations and draft implementing legislation to address this problem; and be it further

Sec. 2. Authority to report out legislation. Resolved: That the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development may report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature related to the report of the Workers' Compensation Board submitted pursuant to section 1.

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CHAPTER 41

S.P. 330 - L.D. 985

Resolve, To Repeal the Requirement That the Department of Transportation Facilitate a Feasibility Study of an East-west Highway and Provide for Public Access to Certain Documents

Sec. 1. Resolve 2011, c. 147, repealed. Resolved: That Resolve 2011, c. 147 is repealed; and be it further

Sec. 2. Confidentiality of east-west highway documents. Resolved: That, notwithstanding any law to the contrary, all documents, including, but not limited to, e-mails, attachments, letters, contracts, reports, records, notes, summaries, working papers, plans, interoffice and intraoffice memoranda and drafts or any other materials created, received or transmitted by the Department of Transportation in connection with Resolve 2011, chapter 147 are not confidential and are subject to public review; and be it further

Sec. 3. Reimbursement for cost of analysis. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation may not seek nor receive reimbursement for any cost-analysis or feasibility study conducted by a private entity pursuant to Resolve 2011, chapter 147 prior to the effective date of this section.

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CHAPTER 42

H.P. 465 - L.D. 673

Resolve, To Increase Awareness of Food Allergies in Public Schools

Sec. 1. Food allergy awareness. Resolved: That the Department of Education shall seek to increase awareness of the seriousness of student food allergies, the resources that are available to help schools identify, address and respond to food allergies, including training for teachers, best practices and the applicable laws. The department shall seek input from school nurses and other appropriate school personnel as well as others with relevant knowledge or expertise in developing effective means of disseminating useful information, increasing awareness and ensuring timely and appropriate responses to student food allergies.

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