

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2015**

G. Spirits served as a sample must be purchased from the State or the State's contracted wholesaler.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 143  
H.P. 979 - L.D. 1435**

**An Act Regarding Ethanol-free Motor Fuel**

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

**Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §1457, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

**4. Ethanol-free motor fuel.** A motor fuel distributor, franchisor or refiner may not impose any condition, restriction, agreement or understanding that prohibits or limits the sale, resale, transfer or purchase of conventional, ethanol-free motor fuel products in the State. This subsection applies to contracts entered into or renewed after the effective date of this subsection.

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**CHAPTER 144  
S.P. 313 - L.D. 868**

**An Act To Remove Limitations on Reciprocity for Concealed Handguns Permits**

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

**Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2001-A, sub-§2, ¶F**, as repealed and replaced by PL 2011, c. 691, Pt. A, §24, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

F. A handgun carried by a person to whom a valid permit to carry a concealed handgun has been issued by that person's state of residence if that person's state of residence honors a permit to carry a concealed handgun issued under this chapter:

**Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2003, sub-§11**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 298, §7, is further amended to read:

**11. Permit to be in permit holder's immediate possession.** Every permit holder, including a nonresident who holds a permit issued by the nonresident's state of residence, shall have the holder's permit in the holder's immediate possession at all times when carrying a concealed handgun and shall display the same on

demand of any law enforcement officer. A person charged with violating this subsection may not be adjudicated as having committed a civil violation if that person produces in court the concealed handgun permit that was valid at the time of the issuance of a summons to court or, if the holder exhibits the permit to a law enforcement officer designated by the summoning officer not later than 24 hours before the time set for the court appearance, a complaint may not be issued.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 145  
H.P. 411 - L.D. 598**

**An Act To Strengthen the Maine Agriculture Protection Act**

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

**Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §152, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 649, §3, is amended to read:

**2. Agricultural products.** "Agricultural products" means those plants and animals and their products that are useful to humans and includes, but is not limited to, forages and sod crops, grains and feed crops, dairy and dairy products, poultry and poultry products, bees and bees' products, livestock and livestock products, manure and compost and fruits, berries, vegetables, flowers, seeds, grasses and other similar products, or any other plant, animal or plant or animal products that supply humans with food, feed, fiber or fur. "Agricultural products" does not include trees grown and harvested for forest products.

**Sec. 2. 7 MRSA §154**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 649, §3, is amended to read:

**§154. Violation of municipal ordinances**

~~A method of farm operation used by a farm or farm operation or agricultural composting operation~~ located in an area where agricultural activities are permitted may not be considered a violation of a municipal ordinance if the ~~method of operation constitutes farm operation or agricultural composting operation~~ conforms to best management practices as determined by the commissioner in accordance with section 153, subsection 1.

**Sec. 3. 7 MRSA §155**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 649, §3, is amended to read:

**§155. Application; municipal ordinances**

This chapter does not affect the application of state and federal laws. A municipality must provide the commissioner with a copy of any proposed ordi-