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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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D. Submit a report to the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs, health and human services matters and insurance and financial services matters by January 1st each year providing the findings and recommendations of the advisory council.

6. Funding. The advisory council may accept funding that is not public funding.

Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §8615 is enacted to read:

§8615. Palliative care initiatives

To the extent allowed by available resources, the council shall establish a palliative care consumer and professional information and education program to maximize the effectiveness of palliative care initiatives by ensuring that comprehensive and accurate information and education are available to the public, health care providers and health care facilities. The council shall publish and maintain on a publicly accessible website information and resources related to palliative care, including, but not limited to, links to external resources, continuing professional education opportunities, delivery of palliative care in the home and in primary, secondary and tertiary care environments, best practices for palliative care delivery and consumer educational materials and referral information for palliative care, including hospice care. The council may develop and implement other initiatives regarding palliative care services and education as it determines to be appropriate. The council may seek and accept funding to cover the costs of the Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory Council under section 1726. In performing its work under this section, the council shall consult with the Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory Council.

Sec. 4. Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory Council. Appointments to the Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory Council required by this Act must be made no later than 90 days after the effective date of this Act. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 1726, subsection 3, each appointing authority, when making initial appointments under Title 22, section 1726, subsection 2, paragraphs B to D, shall appoint one person for a 2-year term and one person for a 3-year term. When all appointments have been made, the executive director of the Maine Hospice Council, established in Title 22, section 8611, shall call and convene the first meeting of the advisory council. The first meeting of the advisory council must be held no later than October 1, 2015.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 204
H.P. 563 - L.D. 829

An Act To Amend the Trespass Laws Pertaining to Railroad Property

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, knowingly entering a railroad right-of-way without right creates potential public safety issues requiring immediate attention; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §7007, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. L, §12 and affected by Pt. X, §2, is amended to read:

3. Penalties. The following penalties apply to violations of this section.

A. A person who violates subsection 1 commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than ~~\$5~~ \$50 and not more than \$100 may be adjudged.

B. A person who violates subsection 1 after having previously violated subsection 1 commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than ~~\$100~~ \$250 and not more than \$500 may be adjudged.

C. A person who violates subsection 1 after having previously violated subsection 1 ~~2 or more~~ times commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than ~~\$500~~ \$750 and not more than ~~\$1000~~ \$1,000 may be adjudged.

C-1. A person who violates subsection 1 after having previously violated subsection 1 3 or more times commits a Class E crime.

D. A person who violates subsection 2 commits a Class E crime. Violation of subsection 2 is a strict liability crime as defined in Title 17-A, section 34, subsection 4-A.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective June 16, 2015.