

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2016**

**Sec. 19. Maine Revised Statutes headnote amended; revision clause.** In the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 37-B, chapter 11, in the chapter headnote, the words "Maine veterans' home" are amended to read "Maine veterans' homes" and the Revisor of Statutes shall implement this revision when updating, publishing or republishing the statutes.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 398  
H.P. 1076 - L.D. 1585**

**An Act To Improve Services for Persons Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing by Updating the Laws Governing Qualifications for Certain Members of the Telecommunications Relay Services Advisory Council**

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

**Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §8704, sub-§1, ¶E,** as amended by PL 2013, c. 40, §1, is further amended to read:

E. Eight members appointed by the Governor as follows:

- (1) One member from the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf;
- (2) One member from a statewide association for the deaf;
- (3) One member from a ~~center on deafness~~ disability rights organization in this State;
- (4) One member from the largest incumbent local exchange carrier providing telecommunications relay service in this State;
- (5) One member of a telephone association in this State, except that the representative under this subparagraph may not be a representative of the carrier under subparagraph (4);
- (6) Two members from the general public who use telecommunications devices for the deaf ~~as a primary means of that operate in connection with~~ telecommunications relay services as their primary means of telecommunications; and
- (7) One member representing ~~an Internet telecommunications relay service provider a~~ company that provides service to customers

~~in this State telecommunications relay services through the Internet, wireless telecommunications or cable telecommunications.~~

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 399  
H.P. 1027 - L.D. 1504**

**An Act To Establish November 1st as Veterans in the Arts and Humanities Day**

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

**Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §150-M** is enacted to read:

**§150-M. Veterans in the Arts and Humanities Day**

Each political subdivision and school administrative unit is encouraged to celebrate Veterans in the Arts and Humanities Day on November 1st of each year. The celebration may include recognition of the contributions of veterans of the United States Armed Forces and their military service past and present, promotion of the significant contributions veterans have made to the arts and humanities and public awareness of the talent of those veterans now working in a variety of artistic fields. The celebration may also include public proclamations, appropriate parades and ceremonies and the introduction of curricula in school systems recognizing the efforts of veterans and their contributions to our way of life, including the arts and humanities. The Governor may annually issue a proclamation urging the people of the State to observe the day with appropriate celebration and activity.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 400  
H.P. 1049 - L.D. 1538**

**An Act To Amend the Quorum Requirements That Apply to the Citizen Trade Policy Commission**

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

**Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §12,** as enacted by PL 2007, c. 266, §4, is amended to read:

**§12. Quorum**

For purposes of holding a meeting, a quorum is ~~11~~ 9 members. A quorum must be present to start a meet-