

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2017**

honorably discharged from the United States Armed Forces.

All surplus revenue collected for issuance of the special registration plates is retained by the Secretary of State to maintain and support this program.

The surviving spouse of a special veteran plate recipient issued plates in accordance with this subsection may retain and display the special veteran plates as long as the surviving spouse remains unmarried. Upon remarriage, the surviving spouse may not use the special veteran plates on a motor vehicle, but may retain them as a keepsake. Upon the death of the surviving spouse, the family may retain the special veteran plates, but may not use them on a motor vehicle.

The Secretary of State may issue a special disability registration plate for veterans in accordance with section 521, subsections 1, 5, 7 and 9. The special disability registration plate for veterans must bear the International Symbol of Access.

The Secretary of State may issue a set of special veterans registration plates when the qualifying veteran is the primary driver of a company-owned vehicle if:

- A. The company is owned solely by a veteran who qualifies for a veteran plate under this section;
- B. The vehicle is leased by a veteran who qualifies for the veteran plate under this subsection; or
- C. The vehicle is leased by the employer of a veteran who qualifies for the veteran plate and the employer has assigned the vehicle exclusively to the veteran. The employer must attest in writing that the veteran will have exclusive use of the vehicle and agrees to the display of the special veteran plate.

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## CHAPTER 44

### S.P. 10 - L.D. 6

#### **An Act To Prohibit Insurance Carriers from Charging Enrollees for Prescription Drugs in Amounts That Exceed the Drugs' Costs**

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

**Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §4317, sub-§13** is enacted to read:

**13. Prohibition on excessive copayments or charges; disclosure not penalized.** A carrier or pharmacy benefits manager may not impose on an enrollee a copayment or other charge that exceeds the claim cost of a prescription drug. If information re-

lated to an enrollee's out-of-pocket cost or the clinical efficacy of a prescription drug or alternative medication is available to a pharmacy provider, a carrier or pharmacy benefits manager may not penalize a pharmacy provider for providing that information to an enrollee.

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## CHAPTER 45

### H.P. 232 - L.D. 299

#### **An Act To Increase Voter Knowledge of Bond Issues**

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

**Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §651, sub-§2, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 2011, c. 342, §22, is amended to read:

A. In each voting booth: one voting instruction poster prepared under section 605-A and a copy of the Treasurer of State's statement prepared pursuant to Title 5, section 152; and

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## CHAPTER 46

### S.P. 137 - L.D. 410

#### **An Act To Except from the Freedom of Access Act Certain Information in the Possession of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System**

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §17057, sub-§1,** as repealed and replaced by PL 1991, c. 824, Pt. A, §7, is amended to read:

**1. Medical information.** Medical information of any kind in the possession of the retirement system, including information pertaining to diagnosis or treatment of mental or emotional disorders, is confidential and not open to public inspection and does not constitute "public records" as defined in Title 1, section 402, subsection 3. Records containing medical information may be examined by the employee to whom they relate or by the State or participating local district employer of the employee for any purposes related to any claim for workers' compensation or any other benefit. The employee must be advised in writing by the retirement system of any request by the employer to examine the employee's medical records. Medical information obtained pursuant to this section remains confidential, except as otherwise provided by law, and except when involved in proceedings resulting from an appeal pursuant to section 17451 ~~or proceedings re-~~

~~garding claims for other retirement benefits, subsection 2.~~

**Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §17057, sub-§2**, as repealed and replaced by PL 1991, c. 824, Pt. A, §7, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**2. Financial and personal information.** The following private financial and personal information of members, beneficiaries or participants in any of the programs of the retirement system in the possession of the retirement system is confidential and not open to public inspection and does not constitute "public records" as defined in Title 1, section 402, subsection 3:

A. Information regarding member, beneficiary or participant accounts with financial institutions, including account numbers;

B. Information regarding member and beneficiary election of payment methods, including elected deductions from those payments;

C. Information regarding participation in defined contribution or deferred compensation plans, including account numbers, investment allocations, contributions, distributions and balances;

D. Information regarding designated beneficiaries; and

E. Information regarding a participant's amount of insurance coverage or group life insurance.

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**CHAPTER 47**

**S.P. 148 - L.D. 446**

**An Act To Allow  
Campgrounds To Operate  
Beano or Bingo**

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

**Whereas**, economic activity from camping is limited to summer and early fall; and

**Whereas**, beano is a complement to what campgrounds in the State offer to residents and tourists alike; and

**Whereas**, this legislation needs to be enacted as an emergency in order that it can take effect for this summer's camping season; 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 preserva-

tion of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §313-B** is enacted to read:

**§313-B. Exemption for campgrounds**

Notwithstanding section 312, subsection 1, a campground licensed under Title 22, section 2492 or a campground operated by the State or the Federal Government may conduct beano without a license as long as the following criteria are met.

**1. Games for patrons only.** The campground must offer games exclusively to campground patrons and guests of campground patrons. Notwithstanding section 319, patrons and guests under the age of 16 may take part in a game of beano conducted in accordance with this section.

**2. Prize value.** A prize awarded to a winner of a beano game may not exceed a value of \$25 for any one game.

**3. Proceeds.** Proceeds from fees charged to campground patrons and their guests to participate in a beano game may be used only to pay for prizes awarded to players and to cover the actual costs incurred to operate the games.

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

Effective May 7, 2017.

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**CHAPTER 48**

**S.P. 271 - L.D. 825**

**An Act To Ensure Direct  
Dialing of 911 from Multiline  
Telephone Systems**

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

**Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2934, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 478, §1, is amended to read:

**1. Requirements.** The bureau may by rule establish requirements for locating emergency calls, and initiating emergency responses to such calls, made from within multiline telephone systems, including network-based or premises-based systems and voice over Internet protocol systems, whether owned or leased by a public or private entity, such as private branch exchanges or Centrex systems. Rules adopted pursuant to this section:

A. May not require any local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues;