

LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION December 7, 2016 to August 2, 2017

THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR FIRST REGULAR SESSION NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS NOVEMBER 1, 2017

PUBLISHED BY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED, TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine 2017

previously restored by the Secretary of State following an administrative suspension under section 2453 <u>or</u> <u>2453-A</u> for operating under the influence based on the same facts and circumstances giving rise to the courtordered suspension.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2434, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2011, c. 81, §2, is further amended to read:

4. Stay of suspension. The court, on reasonable cause shown, may stay a suspension for a period not to exceed 4 hours from the time of sentencing and issue evidence of that stay, unless the defendant demonstrates that the defendant's license was previously restored by the Secretary of State following an administrative suspension under section 2453 <u>or 2453-A</u> for operating under the influence based on the same facts and circumstances giving rise to the court-ordered suspension, in which case the court may stay a suspension for up to 7 days.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 100

H.P. 208 - L.D. 275

An Act To Expand Disabled Veteran Eligibility for Complimentary Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Licenses

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10853, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2015, c. 281, Pt. C, §3, is further amended to read:

4. Disabled veteran. A resident disabled veteran or a nonresident disabled veteran who is a resident of New Hampshire or Vermont another state may obtain upon application, at no cost, all hunting, trapping and fishing licenses, including permits, stamps and other permission needed to hunt, trap and fish, and, upon meeting the qualifications as established in section 12853, subsection 4, a guide license. A license holder under this subsection who qualifies to hunt during the special season on deer under section 11153 and who meets the eligibility requirements of section 11106 must be issued one antlerless deer permit and one either-sex permit. The commissioner shall issue all fishing, trapping and hunting licenses and permits requested under this subsection if the commissioner determines the applicant is a disabled veteran meets the requirements of this subsection and is not otherwise ineligible to hold that permit or license. For the purposes of this subsection, "disabled veteran" means a person who:

A. Is a resident as defined in section 10001, subsection 53 or is a resident of New Hampshire or Vermont;

B. Is a veteran as defined in Title 37-B, section 505, subsection 2, paragraph A, subparagraph (3) Was honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States or the National Guard; and

C. Has a service-connected disability evaluated at 50% or more.

Each application must be accompanied by satisfactory evidence that the applicant meets the requirements of this subsection. An applicant for a license or permit under this section is subject to the provisions of this Part, including, but not limited to, a lottery or drawing system for issuing a particular license or permit. A permit or license issued under this subsection remains valid for the life of the permit or license holder, as long as the permit or license holder continues to satisfy the residency requirement in section 10001, subsection 53 remain a resident of this State or another state and the permit or license issued under this subsection is not revoked or suspended. For a resident of New Hampshire or Vermont nonresident to be eligible under this subsection, that resident's nonresident's state must have a reciprocal agreement with this State.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 101

S.P. 223 - L.D. 661

An Act Regarding the Chain of Custody in Crematories

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2843, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Permit for burial of cremated remains in public burying ground. If cremated remains are buried in a public burying ground in this State, the person in charge of the public burying ground shall endorse and provide the date the cremated remains were buried on each permit with which that person is presented and return it to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics or to the clerk of the municipality in which the public burying ground is located within 7 days after the date of burial. If there is no person in charge of the public burying ground, an official of the municipality in which the public burying ground is located shall endorse and provide the date the cremated remains were buried on each such permit and present it to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics or the clerk of the municipality. The funeral director or authorized person shall present a copy of each permit, after endorsement, to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics or the clerk of the