

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
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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**

cludes but is not limited to local residents and the owner of the nonproductive industrial or manufacturing site, to provide advice regarding the redevelopment of the site.

C. If the authority is unable to provide technical assistance to a municipality or the owner of a nonproductive industrial or manufacturing site that is qualified for technical assistance under this subsection, as determined by rule, the authority may provide a planning grant to the municipality or the owner of the nonproductive industrial or manufacturing site.

D. The authority shall adopt rules related to the implementation of this subsection, including rules regarding the application process and eligibility of applicants for technical assistance and planning grants. Rules adopted under this paragraph are routine technical rules pursuant to chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

**3. Implementation grants; rules.** The authority may provide grants for implementing a project for the redevelopment and marketing of a nonproductive industrial or manufacturing site located in a rural community that has experienced severe economic decline and employment loss due to the nonproductive nature of the site. An applicant for a grant must demonstrate the capacity to undertake the project with a reasonable prospect of bringing it to successful completion.

The authority shall adopt rules, which are routine technical rules pursuant to chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, related to the implementation of this subsection, including rules regarding:

A. The application process for implementation grants; and

B. The criteria and scoring system for awarding implementation grants. The scoring system must include, but is not limited to, an evaluation of the plan for redeveloping and marketing the nonproductive industrial or manufacturing site, community support for the project and consistency with any applicable regional economic development plan.

**§13120-S. Inventory of nonproductive industrial or manufacturing sites**

By January 1, 2018 and annually thereafter, the authority, in consultation with the Office of Business Development within the department, shall make or require an inventory to be made of all nonproductive industrial or manufacturing sites in the State that are available for redevelopment.

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

Effective June 12, 2017.

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**CHAPTER 175**

**H.P. 10 - L.D. 9**

**An Act To Prohibit the  
Creation of a Firearms Owner  
Registry**

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

**Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2014** is enacted to read:

**§2014. Government firearms or firearms owners  
registry prohibited**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a government agency of this State or a political subdivision of this State may not keep or cause to be kept a comprehensive registry of privately owned firearms and the owners of those firearms within its jurisdiction.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 176**

**H.P. 484 - L.D. 693**

**An Act To Clarify the Laws  
Governing Hunting from a  
Vehicle**

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11212**, as amended by PL 2015, c. 327, §1, is repealed.

**Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11212-A** is enacted to read:

**§11212-A. Hunting or shooting from a motor  
vehicle or motorboat**

**1. Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

A. "Loaded firearm or crossbow" means a firearm with a cartridge or shell in the chamber or in an attached magazine, clip or cylinder or a muzzle-loading firearm charged with powder, lead and a primed ignition device or mechanism or a cocked and armed crossbow.