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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**

**Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §393, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 2013, c. 424, Pt. A, §5, is further amended to read:

**2. Application after 5 years.** A person subject to the provisions of subsection 1, paragraph A-1 or C as a result of a conviction or adjudication may, after the expiration of 5 years from the date that the person is finally discharged from the sentences imposed as a result of the conviction or adjudication, apply to the commissioner before January 1, 2018 for a permit to carry a firearm subject to subsection 4. A person subject to the provisions of subsection 1, paragraph A-1, subparagraphs (1) to (4) or paragraph C as a result of a conviction or adjudication may, after the expiration of 5 years from the date that the person is finally discharged from the sentences imposed as a result of the conviction or adjudication, apply to the commissioner on or after January 1, 2018 for a permit to carry a firearm subject to subsection 4. That person may not be issued a permit to carry a concealed handgun pursuant to Title 25, chapter 252. A permit issued pursuant to this subsection is valid for 4 years from the date of issue unless sooner revoked for cause by the commissioner. For purposes of this subsection, "firearm" does not include a firearm defined under 18 United States Code, Section 921(3).

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 228**

**H.P. 956 - L.D. 1377**

**An Act To Prohibit Posing as a Governmental Entity in Commerce**

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

**Sec. 1. 10 MRSA c. 229** is enacted to read:

**CHAPTER 229**

**POSING AS A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY OR AGENT IN COMMERCE**

**§1500-H. Posing as a governmental entity or agent in commerce**

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

A. "Governmental entity" means a unit, subdivision or entity of the Federal Government, the State, a county, a municipality or another state, including an agency, department, board, commission, bureau, division or military or public safety organization.

**2. False representation of posing as a governmental entity or agent in commerce.** A person who is not an official, agent or representative of a governmental entity or who does not have express approval of a governmental entity may not in commerce:

A. Represent, imply or otherwise cause a likelihood of confusion that the person is an official, agent or representative of a governmental entity in the sale, advertising for sale, marketing, offering, distribution or solicitation of any goods or services;

B. Simulate a summons, complaint, jury notice, tax form or other judicial or administrative process or make an untrue statement that any good, service, advertisement or offer was sent or distributed by or has been approved, authorized or endorsed in whole or in part by a governmental entity;

C. Use language or a symbol, logo, representation, statement, title, name, seal, emblem, insignia, trade or brand name, business or control tracking number, website, e-mail address or any other term or content that falsely represents or implies or otherwise causes a likelihood of confusion that any goods, services, advertisement or offer is from a governmental entity; or

D. Offer a document that is available free of charge or at a lesser price from a governmental entity without conspicuously disclosing that availability in a manner that is clearly visible to a consumer.

**3. Unfair trade practice.** A violation of this section constitutes an unfair or deceptive act or practice in violation of Title 5, chapter 10.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 229**

**H.P. 1084 - L.D. 1577**

**An Act To Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws**

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §17716**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 491, §135, is further amended to read:

**§17716. Motor vehicle detectives**

A motor vehicle ~~investigator~~ detective, senior motor vehicle ~~investigator~~ detective, principal motor vehicle ~~investigator~~ detective or chief motor vehicle ~~investigator~~ detective who elects the retirement option provided in section 17851, subsection 14 shall contribute to the State Employee and Teacher Retirement