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## **LAWS**

#### **OF THE**

## STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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

Augusta, Maine 2018

cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective April 5, 2018.

### CHAPTER 43 H.P. 1221 - L.D. 1767

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 11.14: Atlantic Sea Scallop Limited Entry Program, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Marine Resources

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

**Whereas,** the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A requires legislative authorization before major substantive agency rules may be finally adopted by the agency; and

Whereas, the above-named major substantive rule has been submitted to the Legislature for review; and

Whereas, immediate enactment of this resolve is necessary to record the Legislature's position on final adoption of the rule; 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 preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

- **Sec. 1. Adoption. Resolved:** That final adoption of portions of Chapter 11.14: Atlantic Sea Scallop Limited Entry Program, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Department of Marine Resources that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized only if the following change is made:
- 1. The rule is amended in section 14, subsection 1, paragraph D to remove subparagraphs (2) and (3) and instead to provide a method for increasing the number of draws an applicant receives based on the applicant's unsuccessful attempts in the lottery in consecutive years immediately preceding the lottery in which the applicant has submitted a lottery application.

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

Effective April 8, 2018.

### CHAPTER 44 H.P. 1243 - L.D. 1798

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 101: ConnectME Authority, a Major Substantive Rule of the ConnectME Authority

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

**Whereas,** the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A requires legislative authorization before major substantive agency rules may be finally adopted by the agency; and

Whereas, the above-named major substantive rule has been submitted to the Legislature for review; and

Whereas, immediate enactment of this resolve is necessary to record the Legislature's position on final adoption of the rule; 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 preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

- **Sec. 1. Adoption. Resolved:** That final adoption of portions of Chapter 101: ConnectME Authority, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the ConnectME Authority that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized only if the following changes are made:
- 1. The rule must be amended in section 2, subsection A in the definition of "advanced communications technology infrastructure" to clarify that an infrastructure improvement project is a project that expands the deployment or improves the quality of either broadband service or wireless service, or both;
- 2. The rule must be amended in section 2, subsection D in the definition of "broadband service provider" to mean a facilities-based provider of broadband connections to end users that is required to file FCC Form 477 with the Federal Communications Commission;