

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE**

**SECOND SPECIAL SESSION**  
**June 19, 2018 to September 13, 2018**

**THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR**  
**SECOND SPECIAL SESSION**  
**NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS**  
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**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE**

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**THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR**  
**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**  
**2019**

**Sec. 9. 28-A MRSA §84, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

**7. Annual report.** Beginning February 15, 2020, submit a report annually, subject to the approval of the commission, to the Governor and the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over alcoholic beverage matters and appropriations and financial affairs. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over alcoholic beverage matters may submit to the Legislature legislation based on the report. The report must include:

- A. A complete statement of the revenues and expenses for the bureau for the preceding calendar year;
- B. A complete statement of the information required by section 83-B, subsection 11 for the preceding calendar year;
- C. A complete statement of the information required by section 83-C, subsection 7 for the preceding calendar year;
- D. The information required by section 83-C, subsection 9; and
- E. Any recommendations for changes to this Title.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 14  
H.P. 65 - L.D. 79**

**An Act To Protect Shooting Ranges**

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11209, sub-§1, ¶A**, as amended by PL 2015, c. 71, §1, is further amended to read:

A. Unless a relevant municipal ordinance provides otherwise and except as provided in ~~subsection~~ subsections 3 and 4 and sections 12401 and 12402, discharge a firearm, including a muzzle-loading firearm, or crossbow or cause a projectile to pass as a result of that discharge within 100 yards of a building or residential dwelling without the permission of the owner or, in the owner's absence, of an adult occupant of that building or dwelling authorized to act on behalf of the owner; or

**Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11209, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

**4. Sport shooting ranges.** Unless otherwise prohibited, a person may discharge a firearm on a

sport shooting range as defined in Title 30-A, section 3011, subsection 1 that is within 100 yards of a building if the sport shooting range was established and in regular operation prior to the erection of the building.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 15  
H.P. 291 - L.D. 382**

**An Act To Fund Services for Blind and Visually Impaired Persons at the Maine State Library**

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

**Sec. 1. 27 MRSA §9** is enacted to read:

**§9. Blind and Visually Impaired News Access Fund**

The Blind and Visually Impaired News Access Fund, referred to in this section as "the fund," is established as a dedicated fund within the Maine State Library to be used to provide access to a news service provided by a national federation for blind and visually impaired persons. The fund is nonlapsing. The fund receives money transferred by the Public Utilities Commission from the state universal service fund pursuant to Title 35-A, section 7104, subsection 9. The Maine State Library may accept gifts or grants, including, but not limited to, federal grants, for the purposes of this section. Funds transferred from the state universal service fund pursuant to Title 35-A, section 7104, subsection 9 and all gifts and grants and authorized appropriations must be deposited in the fund.

**Sec. 2. 35-A MRSA §7104, sub-§9** is enacted to read:

**9. Blind and Visually Impaired News Access Fund.** The commission shall annually transfer \$40,000 from a state universal service fund established pursuant to this section to the Blind and Visually Impaired News Access Fund established under Title 27, section 9.

**Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**LIBRARY, MAINE STATE**

**Blind and Visually Impaired News Access Fund N292**

Initiative: Allocates ongoing funds to support access to the National Federation of the Blind's news network for blind and visually impaired persons.