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**STATE OF MAINE**

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**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2019**

**8. Ballot clerks.** Before the polls are opened, the ~~selectmen~~ municipal officers shall appoint the necessary number of ballot clerks as provided in Title 21-A, section ~~503~~ 503-A. When there are vacancies after the polls are opened, the moderator shall appoint replacement clerks. The ballot clerks ~~shall~~ must be sworn before assuming their duties.

A. On election day, before the polls are opened, the clerk shall deliver the ballots to the ballot clerks and shall post an instruction card at each voting compartment and at least 3 instruction cards and 5 specimen ballots in the voting room outside the guardrail enclosure.

B. The ballot clerks shall give a receipt to the clerk for the ballots received by them. The clerk shall keep the receipt in the clerk's office for 6 months.

C. Ballots may not be delivered to the voters until the moderator has been elected. The moderator may appoint a qualified person to act as temporary moderator during a temporary absence from the polling place.

D. The ~~selectmen~~ municipal officers shall prepare a duplicate incoming voting list for the use of the ballot clerks. The law pertaining to incoming voting lists applies equally to duplicate incoming voting lists.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 65**

**H.P. 385 - L.D. 528**

**An Act To Increase the Number of Clubs That May Be Issued a Special Dog Training Area License**

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

**Whereas,** there are individuals in the State who are unable to obtain a special dog training area license due to the current cap on licenses per county; and

**Whereas,** this Act needs to become effective before 90 days after the adjournment of the First Regular Session of the 129th Legislature in order for those individuals to receive licenses and open their businesses; 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 preserva-

tion of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §12052, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

**2. Application and issuance.** Upon application of a club or organization having 25 or more resident members, the commissioner may issue to the club or organization a license authorizing the following.

A. The licensee may establish and maintain on land owned by the licensee, or over which the licensee has legal control, a special dog training area in which and on which dogs may be trained at any time during the year.

B. The licensee may at any time during the year train the licensee's own dogs or the dogs of other persons on that area.

C. The licensee may hold field trials at any time on that area or permit, in writing, others to hold field trials on that area under such conditions as are mutually agreed on.

No more than ~~5~~ 8 clubs in any one county may be issued a license.

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

Effective April 30, 2019.

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**CHAPTER 66**

**H.P. 121 - L.D. 139**

**An Act To Address the Unmet Workforce Needs of Employers and To Improve the Economic Future of Workers**

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

**Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §773-A, sub-§3, ¶E,** as enacted by PL 2017, c. 286, §4, is amended to read:

E. Who has graduated from high school, or who has successfully attained a high school equivalency diploma or its equivalent, and who has graduated from a vocational, career and technical or cooperative education program approved by the Department of Education and is hired by an employer to work in an occupation for which the minor has been trained and certified by the vocational program may work for that employer in that occupation.

**Sec. 2. 26 MRSA §2033, sub-§5, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 352, Pt. A, §3, is amended to read:

A. Is at least 18 years old or has graduated from high school;

**Sec. 3. 26 MRSA §2033, sub-§5-A**, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 257, §1, is amended to read:

**5-A. Secondary student eligibility.** Notwithstanding subsection 5, paragraph A, ~~before January 1, 2020~~, a full-time student at a public secondary school enrolled in a career and technical education program at a career and technical education center or a career and technical education region may be granted enrollment in the program if the student applies for enrollment and meets the requirements of subsection 5, paragraphs B, C, D and E. For the purpose of determining eligibility under subsection 5, paragraph C, "income" includes the income of the student's family as defined by department rule.

The commissioner may not expend, on an annualized basis, more than 15% of the annual revenue to the fund for tuition, other allowable costs and administration and case management for students enrolled in the program under this subsection and the costs for any of these students who continue to participate in the program after attaining 18 years of age.

~~This subsection is repealed January 1, 2020.~~

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 67**

**H.P. 162 - L.D. 199**

**An Act To Create the Water Resources Planning Committee**

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA Pt. 15-C** is enacted to read:

**PART 15-C**

**WATER RESOURCES PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**CHAPTER 357**

**WATER RESOURCES PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**§6401. Water Resources Planning Committee**

**1. Water Resources Planning Committee.** The Water Resources Planning Committee, as established in section 12004-I, subsection 68-C and referred to in this subsection as "the committee," is established in the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

**A. The committee's membership must include, at a minimum:**

**(1) Personnel from:**

(a) The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Bureau of Resource Information and Land Use Planning, Division of Geology, Natural Areas and Coastal Resources, Maine Geological Survey;

(b) The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Maine Agricultural Water Management Board;

(c) The Public Utilities Commission;

(d) The Department of Environmental Protection;

(e) The Maine Land Use Planning Commission; and

(f) The drinking water program of the Department of Health and Human Services; and

**(2) Members of the public with expertise in:**

(a) Agriculture;

(b) Public water utilities;

(c) Water bottling and the sale of bottled water;

(d) The use of water by private domestic well owners;

(e) The environment and conservation;

(f) The use of water by commercial entities;

(g) Water conservation education; and

(h) Stormwater management or wastewater management.

**B. The committee shall meet at least quarterly and report annually to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, beginning in August 2020. The committee shall plan for the sustainable use of water resources. The committee shall focus on:**

(1) Collecting and reviewing information regarding water withdrawal activities;

(2) Coordinating state water resources information; and

(3) Identifying watersheds at risk by refining the most recent analysis of watersheds at risk performed by the Bureau of Resource Information and Land Use Planning, Division of Geology, Natural Areas and Coastal Resources, Maine Geological Survey, including: