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

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

**CHAPTER 25****H.P. 420 - L.D. 576****Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Study and Develop an Online Learning Platform for Students and Educators**

**Sec. 1. Online learning platform. Resolved:** That the Department of Education shall establish a working group to study and develop an online platform to facilitate the provision of online, virtual instruction by state-certified teachers to students in every public school in the State and the provision of a variety of high-quality professional development opportunities to educators across the State. The Department of Education shall report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs by January 1, 2020 on the progress toward and obstacles to the development, expected costs and a strategy for implementation of the online platform. The joint standing committee may report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature to address any obstacles to the development and implementation of the online platform and any other concerns.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 26****H.P. 632 - L.D. 858****Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Study and Make Recommendations Relating to School Safety and Security**

**Sec. 1. Study establishment of a Maine School Safety Center. Resolved:** That the Department of Education shall study and make recommendations relating to school safety and security, including, but not limited to, planning to mitigate the potential risks associated with opening school facilities to the public when a school is used as a polling place and the establishment of a Maine School Safety Center based on a report created by Safe Havens International pursuant to Resolve 2013, chapter 76, the top recommendation of which was the establishment of such a center, as detailed in the Safe Havens International report entitled "Excerpts from the School Security Reports Submitted to the Maine Department of Education January, 2014." The department shall submit a preliminary report regarding the study with initial findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs by December 15, 2019 and shall submit a final report, including its recommendations relating to school safety and security and any suggest-

ed legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters by December 15, 2020. The joint standing committee may submit a bill to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 27****H.P. 205 - L.D. 281****Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 692: Siting of Oil Storage Facilities, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection**

**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,** a 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 692: Siting of Oil Storage Facilities, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Department of Environmental Protection 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(U) to delete the definition for "same property";

2. The rule must be amended in section 3 to clarify that for the purpose of section 3(A)(2) and section 3(A)(3), the oil storage facility owner is required to notify the local public water utility or other community public water provider, if any, of the owner's expansion or conversion intentions prior to the installation of any tanks;