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**CHAPTER 81
H.P. 589 - L.D. 784**

**An Act To Amend the Law
Governing Approval Authority
over and Oversight of Certified
Nursing Assistant Educational
Programs**

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §2104, sub-§4, ¶B, as amended by PL 1993, c. 600, Pt. A, §114, is further amended to read:

B. That it is prepared to meet those standards established by the board; and

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §2104, sub-§4, ¶C, as amended by PL 2009, c. 628, §3, is further amended to read:

C. That it is prepared to meet those standards for educational programming and faculty as established by the Department of Health and Human Services; and.

Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §2104, sub-§4, ¶D, as amended by PL 1993, c. 600, Pt. A, §114, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 82
S.P. 67 - L.D. 797**

**An Act To Create a Registry
To Improve Access to
Automated External
Defibrillators**

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §88-C is enacted to read:

§88-C. Registry of automated external defibrillators

The director shall establish a registry of publicly accessible automated external defibrillators, as defined in Title 22, section 2150-C, that are located within the State for the purpose of assisting a person or a law enforcement officer, firefighter or emergency medical services person who calls for assistance in an emergency situation.

The director may accept grants, funds, equipment and services to establish, operate and maintain the registry of publicly accessible automated external defibrillators. The department shall adopt rules regarding information collected for, maintained by and released by the registry. Rules adopted pursuant to this paragraph

are routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 83
S.P. 71 - L.D. 799**

**An Act To Amend the
Procedures for Veterinarians
in the Controlled Substances
Prescription Monitoring
Program**

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §4878, sub-§2, as amended by PL 2017, c. 360, §9, is further amended to read:

2. Electronic prescribing. A veterinarian licensed under this chapter whose scope of practice includes prescribing a benzodiazepine or an opioid medication and who has the capability to electronically prescribe shall prescribe all benzodiazepine or opioid medication electronically by July 1, ~~2022~~ 2025 or when an electronic platform for prescribing is widely available for veterinarians if that occurs before July 1, ~~2022~~ 2025 as determined by the Commissioner of Health and Human Services. A veterinarian licensed under this chapter unable to comply with the electronic prescribing requirements of this subsection may request a waiver from the Commissioner of Health and Human Services for circumstances in which exceptions are appropriate as determined by the Commissioner of Health and Human Services.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 84
H.P. 736 - L.D. 998**

**An Act To Amend the
Continuing Education
Requirement for Pharmacists**

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §13735, first ¶, as amended by PL 2013, c. 308, §3, is further amended to read:

An annual renewal license may not be issued by the board until the applicant certifies to the board that, during the calendar year preceding an application for renewal, the applicant has participated in not less than 15 hours of approved courses of continuing professional pharmaceutical education as set out in this section. ~~Of~~ For a pharmacist authorized to administer drugs and immunizations, of the 15 hours to be completed, at least 2