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to public records and proceedings. The official or public access officer shall complete the training not later than the 120th day after the date the official ~~takes the oath of office to assume~~ assumes the person's duties as an official or the person is designated as a public access officer pursuant to section 413, subsection 1.

Sec. 6. 1 MRSA §412, sub-§4, ¶F, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 576, §2, is amended to read:

F. Municipal officers; municipal clerks, treasurers, managers or administrators, assessors and code enforcement officers and deputies for those positions; and planning board members and budget committee members of municipal governments;

Sec. 7. 1 MRSA §412, sub-§4, ¶G, as amended by PL 2011, c. 662, §7, is further amended to read:

G. ~~Officials~~ Superintendents, assistant superintendents and school board members of school administrative units; and

Sec. 8. 1 MRSA §432, sub-§2, ¶G-1 is enacted to read:

G-1. Whether public access to the record ensures or would ensure that members of the public are able to make informed health and safety decisions;

Sec. 9. 1 MRSA §434, sub-§2, ¶G-1 is enacted to read:

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CHAPTER 314

H.P. 1050 - L.D. 1434

An Act Regarding Controlled Entry Areas within Retail Marijuana Stores

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

Sec. 1. 28-B MRSA §504, sub-§4-A is enacted to read:

4-A. Controlled, indoor entry area. A marijuana store may have a controlled, indoor entry area directly inside the marijuana store in which an employee of the marijuana store licensee may verify the identification and age of persons and persons may await entry into the sales area of the marijuana store. A controlled, indoor entry area under this subsection must be physically separated from the sales area of the marijuana store.

Sec. 2. 28-B MRSA §507, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6, is amended to read:

§507. Entry into marijuana establishment by persons under 21 years of age prohibited

A person under 21 years of age may not enter the licensed premises of a marijuana establishment. A licensee shall ensure that persons under 21 years of age do not enter its licensed premises, except that a marijuana store licensee may use a controlled, indoor entry area, in accordance with section 504, subsection 4-A, in a marijuana store to verify the identification and age of persons before allowing entry into the sales area of the marijuana store.

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CHAPTER 315

H.P. 1071 - L.D. 1455

An Act To Support Survivors of Sex Trafficking and Exploitation

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

Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §853-A, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2013, c. 537, §5, is amended to read:

4. It is an affirmative a defense to prosecution under this section that the person engaged in prostitution because the person was compelled to do so as described in section 852, subsection 2.

Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §853-A, sub-§5 is enacted to read:

5. It is a defense to prosecution under this section that the person engaged in prostitution to prevent bodily injury, serious economic hardship or another threat to the person or another person.

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CHAPTER 316

S.P. 485 - L.D. 1508

An Act To Reduce Homelessness by Reducing Evictions

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

Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §6004, as amended by PL 2015, c. 22, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§6004. Commencement of action

1. Summons and complaint; service. The process of forcible entry and detainer must be commenced and service made in the same manner as other civil