

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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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**  
**2022**

**CHAPTER 573  
H.P. 1491 - L.D. 2005**

**An Act Regarding the  
Reapportionment of the Knox  
County Budget Committee  
Districts**

**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 30-A, section 757 requires the Knox County Commissioners to prepare a redistricting plan for Knox County budget committee seats by June 1, 2021 and submit that plan to the Secretary of State; and

**Whereas,** upon receipt of the redistricting plan, the Secretary of State is required to submit the plan to the Legislature for "review and enactment"; and

**Whereas,** although the Knox County Commissioners determined that no changes in the budget committee districts were necessary, this legislation is needed to provide clarity in time for the elections of budget committee members this year; 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 enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §757, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 2013, c. 481, §1, is further amended to read:

**1. Redistricting process.** The county commissioners shall review the districts established in subsection 2 and, if changes are necessary, prepare a redistricting plan for county budget committee seats by June 1, ~~2021~~ 2031 and every 10 years thereafter. The county commissioners shall submit ~~the any redistricting~~ plan to the Secretary of State within 5 days of adoption. ~~The If redistricting is required,~~ the Secretary of State shall immediately transmit the redistricting plan to the Legislature for review and enactment.

**Sec. 2. Knox County budget committee districts.** Notwithstanding that provision of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 757, subsection 1 that requires a redistricting plan to be prepared in 2021 by the Knox County Commissioners and reviewed and enacted by the Legislature, the Knox County budget committee districts specified in Title 30-A, section 757, subsection 2 remain the same until a redistricting plan is submitted to the Secretary of State by the Knox County Commissioners in 2031 or later and that plan is subsequently reviewed and enacted by the Legislature.

**Sec. 3. Application.** This Act is not intended to affect the terms of the Knox County budget committee members in office on the effective date of this Act.

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

Effective April 7, 2022.

**CHAPTER 574  
H.P. 1504 - L.D. 2024**

**An Act To Allow County and  
Regional Communications  
Centers To Request Polygraph  
Examinations for Employees  
and Applicants for  
Employment**

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

**Whereas,** under current law, employees of or applicants for employment with law enforcement agencies, including as emergency services dispatchers for those agencies, are subject to polygraph examinations; and

**Whereas,** other public safety dispatchers, such as for fire or emergency medical services, are not subject to polygraph examinations, despite having access to confidential records such as investigative and criminal intelligence information; and

**Whereas,** to ensure that such information is not misused, it is necessary to correct this disparity as soon as possible; 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 enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §7364, sub-§3,** as enacted by PL 2013, c. 316, §3 and affected by §5, is amended to read:

**3. Exception.** This section does not apply to employees of or applicants for employment with law enforcement agencies or county and regional communications centers. As used in this subsection, "county and regional communications centers" means publicly owned and publicly operated entities that dispatch emergency services, but does not include dispatch cen-