

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2022**

**CHAPTER 643  
S.P. 237 - L.D. 598**

**An Act To Prohibit  
Discrimination in Employment  
and School Based on Hair  
Texture or Hairstyle**

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §4553, sub-§8-G** is enacted to read:

**8-G. Protective hairstyle.** "Protective hairstyle" includes braids, twists and locks.

**Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §4553, sub-§8-H** is enacted to read:

**8-H. Race, for purposes of subchapters 3 and 5-B.** "Race," for the purposes of subchapters 3 and 5-B, includes traits associated with race, including hair texture, Afro hairstyles and protective hairstyles.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 644  
H.P. 669 - L.D. 913**

**An Act To Make Certain Civil  
Court Records Accessible by  
the Public Only at the  
Courthouse**

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

**Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §9-C** is enacted to read:

**§9-C. Court records accessible by the public only at the courthouse**

For civil cases brought pursuant to Title 14, section 6001 or 7481, the following court records are accessible by the public only at a courthouse:

**1. Resolution by agreement of the parties.** Court records that are part of a court case in which the parties agree that the records should be accessible by the public only at the courthouse;

**2. Dismissed or resolved in favor of the defendant.** Court records that are part of a court case that is dismissed or resolved in favor of a defendant; and

**3. Older than 3 years.** Court records that are part of a court case more than 3 years after a judgment has been entered.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 645  
H.P. 873 - L.D. 1195**

**An Act To Assist Qualifying  
Municipalities To Defray the  
Costs of Opting In To Permit  
Adult Use Marijuana  
Establishments**

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

**Sec. 1. 28-B MRSA §108,** as amended by PL 2021, c. 226, §3, is further amended to read:

**§108. Public health and safety programs**

The department shall develop and implement or facilitate the development and implementation by a public or private entity of: programs, initiatives and campaigns focused on increasing the awareness and education of the public on health and safety matters and focused on addressing public and behavioral health needs relating to the use of marijuana and marijuana products, including, but not limited to, programs, initiatives and campaigns focused on preventing and deterring the use of marijuana and marijuana products by persons under 21 years of age; and public and behavioral health programs and services related to the use of marijuana and marijuana products, including, but not limited to, evidence-based substance use disorder prevention and treatment programs, early intervention services and grants for schools or community-based organizations that provide programs for youth substance use disorder education and prevention as described under Title 5, chapter 521. Programs, initiatives and campaigns developed and implemented pursuant to this section may be funded with revenue from the Adult Use Marijuana Public Health and Safety and Municipal Opt-in Fund established in section 1101. The department may adopt rules to implement this section.

**Sec. 2. 28-B MRSA §109,** as amended by PL 2021, c. 226, §4, is further amended to read:

**§109. Enhanced training for criminal justice agencies and municipalities**

The department shall develop and implement or facilitate the development and implementation by a public or private entity of programs or initiatives providing enhanced training for criminal justice agencies and municipal officers and employees in the requirements and enforcement of this chapter and the rules adopted pursuant to this chapter, including, but not limited to, programs providing grants to regional or local criminal justice agencies or municipalities to train law enforcement officers and, if applicable, municipal officers and employees in inspections, investigations, searches, seizures, forfeitures and personal use and home cultivation allowances under this chapter and chapter 3 and the