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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE

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THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR SECOND REGULAR SESSION NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS AUGUST 8, 2022

PUBLISHED BY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED, TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine 2022

- Sec. 2. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services to provide quarterly reports. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services shall submit reports to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters at least every 3 months beginning in June 2022 and until June 30, 2024. The reports must address the progress in implementing the recommendations of the Casey Family Programs and Collaborative Safety report completed for the department in October 2021, responses to recommendations from the child welfare advisory panel established pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 4010-D and progress in efforts described in the department's annual report on child welfare. The reports must address, at minimum, the following:
- 1. Efforts to further coordinate and advance child welfare services in primary, secondary and tertiary prevention, as those prevention services are described by the Office of Child and Family Services;
- 2. Efforts to expand the use and value of family team meetings;
- 3. Efforts to expand the use of participation of people with lived experience in the development of policy regarding and operation of the child welfare system;
- 4. A review of the department's policies and practices regarding domestic violence and the ability of the nonoffending parent to assume custody of the children;
- 5. Efforts to work with the Guardian Ad Litem Review Board under the Board of Overseers of the Bar, the judicial branch and other interested parties to improve the training and support of guardians ad litem; and
- 6. Any recommendations on how to further protect the State's children, through department policy and rulemaking and legislation.
- Sec. 3. Legislation authorized. Resolved: That the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters is authorized to report out related legislation to the next regular or special session of the Legislature after any quarterly report submitted pursuant to this resolve.

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

Effective April 7, 2022.

CHAPTER 143 H.P. 1438 - L.D. 1930

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 1: Adult Use Marijuana Program Rule, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Office of Marijuana Policy

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 1: Adult Use Marijuana Program Rule, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, office of marijuana policy that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized.

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

Effective April 7, 2022.