

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
**December 7, 2022 to March 30, 2023**

**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**  
**April 5, 2023 to July 26, 2023**

**THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR**  
**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
**NONEMERGENCY LAWS IS**  
**JUNE 29, 2023**

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**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**  
**NONEMERGENCY LAWS IS**  
**OCTOBER 25, 2023**

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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**  
**2023**

website residential transmission and distribution utility rates and standard-offer supply rates applicable for the period of January 1st to December 31st of that year. The commission shall update the published rates within 30 days of any change in those rates.

**Sec. 2. Deferred costs.** The Public Utilities Commission shall determine the method necessary to convey to residential ratepayers of a transmission and distribution utility the anticipated effects of all deferred costs approved by the commission on residential transmission and distribution utility rates. The commission shall publish this information on its publicly accessible website by November 1, 2023. By January 1, 2024, the commission shall provide this information along with any recommended legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology, which may report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 122**

**S.P. 399 - L.D. 980**

**An Act Regarding Passing  
Stationary Motor Vehicles on  
Public Ways**

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

**Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2070, sub-§8** is enacted to read:

**8. Passing stationary vehicles.** The operator of a vehicle passing a stationary vehicle that a reasonable person would conclude is disabled or that is using flashing lights to warn other operators of the vehicle's presence, with due regard to safety and traffic conditions, shall:

A. Pass in a lane not adjacent to that of the stationary vehicle, if possible; or

B. If passing in a nonadjacent lane is impossible or unsafe, pass the stationary vehicle at a careful and prudent speed reasonable for passing the vehicle safely.

Violation of this subsection is a traffic infraction for which a fine of not less than \$275 must be adjudged.

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**CHAPTER 123**  
**H.P. 767 - L.D. 1207**

**An Act to Implement the  
Recommendations of the Right  
To Know Advisory Committee  
Concerning Public Records  
Exceptions**

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

**Sec. 1. 24 MRSA §2302-A, sub-§3**, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 168, §1, is amended to read:

**3. Confidentiality.** Any information provided pursuant to this section ~~shall~~ may not identify the names of patients. If patient names are identified in information provided pursuant to this section, the patient names are confidential.

**Sec. 2. 24 MRSA §2510, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 524, §§9 and 10, is further amended to read:

**1. Confidentiality; exceptions.** Any reports, information or records received and maintained by the board pursuant to this chapter, including any material received or developed by the board during an investigation ~~shall be~~ is confidential, except for information and data that is developed or maintained by the board from reports or records received and maintained pursuant to this chapter or by the board during an investigation and that does not identify or permit identification of any patient or physician; provided that the board may disclose any confidential information only:

- A. In a disciplinary hearing before the board or in any subsequent trial or appeal of a board action or order relating to such disciplinary hearing;
- B. To governmental licensing or disciplinary authorities of any jurisdiction or to any health care providers or health care entities located within or outside this State that are concerned with granting, limiting or denying a physician's privileges, but only if the board includes along with the transfer an indication as to whether or not the information has been substantiated by the board;
- C. As required by section 2509, subsection 5;
- D. Pursuant to an order of a court of competent jurisdiction;
- E. To qualified personnel for bona fide research or educational purposes, if personally identifiable information relating to any patient or physician is first deleted; or
- F. To other state or federal agencies when the information contains evidence of possible violations of laws enforced by those agencies.