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**STATE OF MAINE**

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

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2023**

that the transferor may choose to allow the license holder receiving the transferor's quota to retain the income and assume the tax burden of the sale of the transferred quota.

Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 181**

**H.P. 594 - L.D. 947**

**An Act to Support the Distribution of Free Summer Lunches for Children**

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §6602, sub-§5,** as amended by PL 2011, c. 379, §6, is further amended to read:

**5. Rules.** The commissioner shall adopt or amend, with the state board's approval, rules under this subchapter, including rules about the qualifications of food service programs' personnel and rules to implement the federal summer food service program for children under subsection 1, paragraph C. To the extent allowed under federal law, rules adopted under this subchapter must allow for the greatest amount of flexibility in meal times and packaging of meals to send home with students.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 182**

**S.P. 434 - L.D. 1065**

**An Act to Improve the Telecommunications Relay Services Council by Reducing Its Membership and Allowing for the Hiring of an Executive Director**

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

**Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §8704, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 2017, c. 408, §6, is further amended to read:

**1. Membership.** The council consists of ~~42~~ 11 voting members as follows:

A. The Director of the Division for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Late Deafened, Bureau of Rehabilitation Services, Department of Labor, or a designee;

B. The chair of the Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Late Deafened established by Title 5, section 12004-J, subsection 17, or a designee;

C. One member from the Public Utilities Commission, appointed by the commissioners;

C-1. One member from the Maine Connectivity Authority, as established in Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 33-H, appointed by the president of the authority;

D. One member from the office of the Public Advocate, appointed by the Public Advocate; and

E. ~~Eight~~ Six members appointed by the Governor as follows:

(1) One member from the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf;

(2) One member from a statewide association for the deaf;

(3) One member from a disability rights organization in this State;

(4) One member from the largest incumbent local exchange carrier providing telecommunications relay service in this State; and

~~(5) One member of a telephone association in this State, except that the representative under this subparagraph may not be a representative of the carrier under subparagraph (4);~~

(6) Two members from the general public who use telecommunications devices for the deaf that operate in connection with telecommunications relay services as their primary means of telecommunications; and

~~(7) One member representing a company that provides telecommunications relay services through the Internet, wireless telecommunications or cable telecommunications.~~

The executive director shall serve as a nonvoting member of the council in accordance with subsection 3-A, paragraph E.

**Sec. 2. 35-A MRSA §8704, sub-§3-A** is enacted to read:

**3-A. Executive director.** The council shall, within its allowable annual budget established by subsection 6, hire a part-time executive director to assist in carrying out the powers and duties of the council. The executive director shall:

A. Assist in the preparation and submission of the budget of the council required pursuant to subsection 6;

B. Prepare and submit the report required pursuant to subsection 8;