# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### **LAWS**

#### **OF THE**

## STATE OF MAINE

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bility. By November 1, 2024, the Director of the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability shall review the laws governing full evaluations of tax expenditures under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, chapter 37 and identify and recommend to the Government Oversight Committee and the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation potential statutory changes to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the full evaluation process going forward, with particular attention to evaluation parameters and the schedule and pace of full evaluation reports. The Government Oversight Committee may submit legislation related to the recommendations of the director to the First Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature.

Sec. 10. Staffing for tax expenditure review. By January 15, 2025, the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability and the Office of Fiscal and Program Review shall notify the Legislative Council whether they can, within existing resources, provide staffing adequate to support the Government Oversight Committee and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over taxation matters in staffing the activities required by this Act or whether additional resources are needed.

See title page for effective date.

#### CHAPTER 418 H.P. 855 - L.D. 1341

An Act to Modernize the Bureau of Motor Vehicles' Mobile Services

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §160 is enacted to read:

#### §160. Mobile motor vehicle services

The Secretary of State shall establish and operate a program to provide mobile services.

- 1. Populations served. The program under this section must provide mobile services:
  - A. In rural areas where members of the public are required to travel an inconvenient distance to reach offices that can provide services under this section; and
  - B. To individuals who are unhoused, immigrants or refugees.
- 2. Services. The services under this section must include, to the maximum extent feasible:
  - A. Vehicle registration pursuant to chapter 5, subchapter 1; and
  - B. Renewal or replacement of a driver's license or nondriver identification card under chapter 11.

- Sec. 2. Remote motor vehicle services. In order to provide the services described in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 29-A, section 160, the Secretary of State shall acquire 2 large vehicles to accommodate the needs of the program established pursuant to section 160. Each vehicle must be staffed by 4 individuals, who, to the maximum extent feasible, shall operate the program, including driving the vehicle and providing the services described in section 160.
- **Sec. 3. Funding.** The Secretary of State shall modernize the Department of the Secretary of State, Bureau of Motor Vehicles' mobile services including traveling units, computer tablets, computers, printers, vehicle expenses and other information technology to establish and operate a program to provide mobile services to include vehicle registration and renewal or replacement of a driver's license or nondriver identification card. This program must be funded with up to \$1,000,000 in available prior year balances in the Personal Services and All Other line categories in the Department of the Secretary of State, Administration - Motor Vehicles program, Highway Fund account in accordance with Public Law 2023, chapter 50, Part B. The funds may be distributed by financial order upon recommendation of the State Budget Officer and approval of the Governor.

See title page for effective date.

### CHAPTER 419

S.P. 557 - L.D. 1390

#### An Act to Provide Self-service Motor Vehicle Services

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §160 is enacted to read:

#### §160. Motor vehicle services

The Secretary of State shall establish and operate 8 self-service kiosks that provide, to the maximum extent feasible, at least the following services:

- 1. Vehicle registration. Vehicle registration renewal pursuant to chapter 5, subchapter 1; and
- 2. Licenses or identification cards. Renewal or replacement for a driver's license or nondriver identification card under chapter 11.
- **Sec. 2. Report.** The Secretary of State shall investigate the various types of self-service kiosks that may provide services offered by the Department of the Secretary of State, Bureau of Motor Vehicles that are available to the State, including those self-service kiosks that are offered at no cost to the State. The Secretary of State shall provide a report that includes its findings from the investigation and any recommendations,