

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

THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR FIRST SPECIAL SESSION NONEMERGENCY LAWS IS OCTOBER 25, 2023

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

Augusta, Maine 2023

CHAPTER 70

S.P. 605 - L.D. 1484

Resolve, Regarding the Status of Federal Grant Applications or Money Secured for the Funding of a Sexual Assault Kit Tracking Pilot Program

Sec. 1. Report regarding the status of federal grant applications or money secured for the funding of sexual assault kit tracking pilot program. Resolved: That the Department of Public Safety shall submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety by February 1, 2024 regarding the status of any federal grant applications or money secured by the department for the purpose of funding a sexual assault kit tracking pilot program and any related recommendations regarding the establishment of such a pilot program. After reviewing the report, the committee may report out a bill relating to a sexual assault kit tracking pilot program to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 71 H.P. 1134 - L.D. 1770

Resolve, Directing the Board of Pesticides Control to Transition to Electronic Submission of Pesticides Sales and Use Data

Sec. 1. Board of Pesticides Control; pesticides sales and use data. Resolved: That, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 1471-M, subsection 2, paragraph D, the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control shall adopt any rules necessary to implement the transition from paper to electronic format of reports required to be submitted to the board as required by Title 22, section 1471-G. The board shall implement a system of electronic data collection that is efficient for those required to submit reports to the board under Title 22, section 1471-G and useful to the board and members of the public. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, no later than March 1, 2024, the director of the Board of Pesticides Control within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall submit a report regarding rulemaking and implementation of electronic reporting under section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, which may report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature based on the report.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 72

S.P. 749 - L.D. 1848

Resolve, to Designate the Route 15 Bridge Located in the Town of Kenduskeag the William S. Pullen Bridge

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, this resolve directs the Department of Transportation to designate Bridge 2967 on Route 15 in the Town of Kenduskeag the William S. Pullen Bridge to honor the World War II soldier who was killed in action; and

Whereas, it is imperative that this designation take place before the expiration of the 90-day period to be in time for the planned formal celebration in the Town of Kenduskeag; 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. Route 15 bridge in Kenduskeag renamed. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation shall designate Bridge 2967 on Route 15, which crosses Kenduskeag Stream in the Town of Kenduskeag, currently known as the Wooster Bridge, the William S. Pullen Bridge.

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

Effective June 23, 2023.

CHAPTER 73

H.P. 252 - L.D. 419

Resolve, to Establish a Working Group to Study Polling Places at Schools in Order to Protect Security and Accessibility

Preamble. Whereas, the Legislature finds that school buildings are ideal locations to serve as polling places due to their central locations, accessible parking