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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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information related to each carrier's placement of generic drugs and biosimilars on the carrier's prescription drug formulary, including whether a generic drug or biosimilar is available on the carrier's formulary with a lower out-of-pocket cost to an enrollee than the brand drug to which the generic drug or biosimilar is equivalent and whether the carrier imposes any limitation on coverage of a generic drug or biosimilar or imposes a restriction on a pharmacy that makes it more difficult for an enrollee to obtain coverage of or access to a generic drug or biosimilar than the brand drug to which the generic drug or biosimilar is equivalent. No later than February 15, 2025, the superintendent shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health coverage, insurance and financial services matters that summarizes the data submitted by the carriers as requested, together with any findings or recommendations of the superintendent. The joint standing committee may report out a bill to the 132nd Legislature in 2025 based on the report.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 178 H.P. 1432 - L.D. 2233

Resolve, Regarding Legislative
Review of Chapter 255:
Workers' Compensation
Fronting Companies, a
Late-filed Major Substantive
Rule of the Department of
Professional and Financial
Regulation, Bureau of
Insurance

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 outside the legislative rule acceptance period; 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 Chapter 255: Workers' Compensation Fronting Companies, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A outside the legislative rule acceptance period, is not authorized.

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

Effective April 23, 2024.

CHAPTER 179 H.P. 1393 - L.D. 2178

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 20: Rules for the Licensure of Adult Use Cannabis Establishments, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Office of Cannabis 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 Chapter 20: Rules for the Licensure of Adult Use Cannabis Establishments, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, office of cannabis policy that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is not authorized by this resolve. As provided in Title 5, section 8072, subsection 11, this

resolve does not restrict the Legislature's authority to use another legislative instrument to approve all or part of Chapter 20.

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

Effective April 24, 2024.

CHAPTER 180 H.P. 1400 - L.D. 2186

Resolve, Regarding Legislative
Review of Chapter 30:
Compliance Rules for Adult
Use Cannabis Establishments,
a Major Substantive Rule of
the Department of
Administrative and Financial
Services, Office of Cannabis
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 Chapter 30: Compliance Rules for Adult Use Cannabis Establishments, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, office of cannabis policy that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is not authorized by this resolve. As provided in Title 5, section 8072, subsection 11, this resolve does not restrict the Legislature's authority to use another legislative instrument to approve all or part of Chapter 30.

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

Effective April 24, 2024.

CHAPTER 181 S.P. 955 - L.D. 2230

Resolve, to Require a
Stakeholder Group to
Participate in the Development
of Rules Regarding Youth
Camps

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

Whereas, proposed rules that govern the operations of youth camps in the State must include the participation of operators of youth camps; and

Whereas, the youth camp season begins earlier than 90 days after adjournment; 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. Department of Health and Human Services to convene stakeholder group to provide input on youth camp rules. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services, referred to in this resolve as "the department," shall convene a stakeholder group of interested parties, including operators of youth camps, to participate in the development of proposals to amend the department's rule Chapter 208: Rules Relating to Boys, Girls, Boys and Girls, Day Camps and Primitive and Trip Camping, prior to publishing a rule change for public comment in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act. The department shall convene the stakeholder group as soon as possible to solicit input for the department's consideration and engage stakeholders in good faith consistent with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8052 and section 8057-A, subsection 3. The department shall maintain a record of stakeholder meetings, including a summary of meetings and explanations of decisions reached by the department and provide these materials to the stakeholder group.

Sec. 2. Rule adoption. Resolved: That the department may not adopt any rules that amend its rule Chapter 208: Rules Relating to Boys, Girls, Boys and Girls, Day Camps and Primitive and Trip Camping until