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FIRST REGULAR AND FIRST SPECIAL SESSIONS



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LD 180 Resolve, Regarding the Storage of Consumer Fireworks

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2021, chapter 96 directs the State Fire Marshal to convene a stakeholder group to review federal and state requirements for the storage of consumer fireworks by businesses that sell consumer fireworks and to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety by November 1, 2021 regarding the work of the stakeholder group and recommended legislation. The Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety is authorized to report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature regarding the storage of consumer fireworks.

LD 242 An Act To Support the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 413 provides \$250,000 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$78,147 in fiscal year 2022-23 for the Board of Trustees of the Maine Community College System to support the Maine Fire Service Institute. The Maine Fire Protection Services Commission will provide grants for construction and repair or replacement of regional live fire service training facilities.

LD 346 An Act Requiring the Use of Propane and Natural Gas Detectors

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 194 requires the installation of fuel gas detectors to detect propane, natural gas and liquified petroleum gas in every room containing an appliance fueled by propane, natural gas or any liquified petroleum gas. The requirement applies to owners of: multifamily occupancy buildings; fraternity houses, sorority houses and dormitories that are affiliated with educational facilities; children's homes, emergency children's shelters, children's residential care facilities, shelters for homeless children and specialized children's homes; hotels, motels and inns; mixed use occupancies that contain a dwelling unit; business occupancies; mercantile occupancies; and assembly occupancies. The law is modeled on the laws applicable to those same buildings or facilities with regard to smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.

Public Law 2021, chapter 194 takes effect January 1, 2022, except that the provisions applicable to existing business occupancies, mercantile occupancies and assembly occupancies take effect January 1, 2026.