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private school nurses. If a collaborative practice agreement has not been adopted, the governing body of a school administrative unit or an approved private school may authorize a school nurse or other licensed health care professional whose scope of practice includes administration of naloxone to stock, possess and administer naloxone. Public Law 2021, chapter 115 also specifies that a school administrative unit or approved private school may enter into an arrangement with a manufacturer of naloxone hydrochloride or a 3rd-party supplier to obtain naloxone hydrochloride or a collaborative practice agreement may allow the purchase of naloxone hydrochloride from a pharmacy licensed in this State.

Public Law 2021, chapter 115 requires that by January 1, 2022, and as needed after that date, the Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Health and Human Services, shall develop and make available to all schools guidelines for the management of opioid overdose during school or a school-sponsored activity or otherwise on school grounds.

LD 814 Resolve, Directing the Maine Community College System To Evaluate the Need To Expand Workforce Training Options in Waldo County

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2021, chapter 55 directs the Maine Community College System to evaluate the unmet need and capacity for expanding workforce training options in Waldo County with the goal of providing additional capacity for training in industries with identified employee shortages. The System is required to examine the following industries and trades: nursing or other medical trade; composite manufacturing; carpentry; electrical trades; milwright trades; and ventilation, air conditioning, refrigeration, plumbing and heating.

In the event that the System finds that the need for workforce training exists in any of these industries, the System is directed to assess the best way to increase training and capacity, using the following options: expanding access through Maine Quality Centers under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 12727; long-distance learning options; and colocation or collaboration with other learning institutions.

The Maine Community College System is required to submit a report with suggested legislation by December 1, 2021 to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. The report, including suggested legislation, must include but is not limited to: what unmet workforce training needs exist; what industries should be prioritized for expanded workforce training options; the best methods for expanding workforce training options; costs and facility needs for expanding workforce training programming; and a timeline for implementation of expanded workforce training options.

The Committee may submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.