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to 1,000 square feet of immature plant canopy and unlimited seedlings but provides that a caregiver must cultivate mature marijuana plants and immature marijuana plants both by plant count or both by plant canopy.

11. Subject to specified requirements, it authorizes medical providers to provide a qualifying patient with a digital image of the patient's written certification for the medical use of marijuana, which may be used in place of a written certification document.
12. It clarifies that a caregiver may transfer immature marijuana plants, seedlings, seeds and harvested marijuana to a qualifying patient, another caregiver or a registered dispensary for reasonable compensation or for no remuneration.

### **LD 1930 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 1: Adult Use Marijuana Program Rule, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Office of Marijuana Policy**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Resolve 2021, chapter 143 provides legislative approval of portions of Chapter 1: Adult Use Marijuana Program Rule, a major substantive rule of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, office of marijuana policy.

Resolve 2021, chapter 143 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 7, 2022.

### **LD 1957 An Act To Promote Equity and Increase Opportunities in the Cannabis Industry by Reducing Restrictions Related to Convictions for Drug Offenses and To Replace the Term "Marijuana" with the Term "Cannabis" in the Maine Revised Statutes**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2021, chapter 669 does the following.

1. It amends the prohibitions on participation in the cannabis industry under the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act and the Marijuana Legalization Act for persons convicted of drug offenses by reducing from 10 years to 5 years the time that must elapse after any term of probation, incarceration or supervised release is completed in order for the relevant offense to no longer be considered a disqualifying drug offense.
2. It exempts from the definition of "disqualifying drug offense" in both of those Acts an offense for activity that would have been allowed under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 28-B.
3. It directs by a revision clause that the term "marijuana" be replaced with the term "cannabis" in the Maine Revised Statutes except in the Maine Criminal Code and adjusts language in certain sections of Title 17-A and Title 22 to be consistent with that change.