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LD 272 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 2: Fees for Muay Thai Contests and Authorized Participants, a Major Substantive Rule of the Combat Sports Authority of Maine

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2025, chapter 25 authorizes final adoption of Chapter 2: Fees for Muay Thai Contests and Authorized Participants, a major substantive rule of the Combat Sports Authority of Maine.

Resolve 2025, chapter 25 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective May 2, 2025.

LD 337 An Act to Repeal the Sunday Amateur Sports Law, the Law Allowing Municipalities to Permit the Operation of Movie Theaters on Sundays and the Law Imposing a Fine or Imprisonment for Playing Games and Sports with Admission Charges on Memorial Day

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 43 repeals the Sunday Amateur Sports Law, the law allowing for a municipal vote to permit the operation of movie theaters on Sundays between the hours of 1 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. and the law imposing a fine or imprisonment for playing games and sports with admission charges before 3:30 p.m. on Memorial Day.

LD 413 An Act Regarding Disclosure by Sellers of Residential Real Property of Notices of Shoreland Zoning Ordinance Violations

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 69 specifies the information a seller of residential real property must disclose related to violations and enforcement and court actions with respect to shoreland zoning ordinances.

LD 414 An Act to Prohibit Deceptive Pricing in the Rental of Short-term Lodging and in the Sale of Tickets

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 311 requires a person that is renting short-term lodging or selling an entertainment event ticket to clearly disclose the total price of the short-term lodging or ticket and display the total price more prominently than other information in advertisements or displays. Public Law 2025, chapter 311 prohibits the misrepresentation of any fee or charge associated with a short-term lodging rental or ticket sale and directs the Office of the Attorney General to enforce

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the law. Any person that violates the law commits an unfair and deceptive act in violation of the Maine Unfair Trade Practices Act.

LD 427 An Act to Regulate Municipal Parking Space Minimums

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 374 establishes limits on minimum parking space requirements by establishing requirements for parking in growth areas and for off-site parking agreements and authorizes the Maine Office of Community Affairs to adopt rules to administer and enforce the law.

LD 546 Resolve to Require the Preparation of Preapproved Building Types

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2025, chapter 48 directs the Maine Office of Community Affairs to contract with an appropriate consultant to establish a set of building types that municipalities may adopt as preapproved building types to reduce the cost and time associated with processing building permit applications. The consultant must ensure that the preapproved building types can be developed at a cost that enables rents for some units in the building to not exceed 30% of the median income in the county where the building will be located. The consultant is required to seek input from a postsecondary institution in the State with a program that uses new technologies to produce materials and develop building methods designed to make housing more efficient and affordable.

The Maine Office of Community Affairs is required to submit a report no later than November 4, 2026, to the Joint Standing Committee on Housing and Economic Development. The committee is authorized to report out legislation relating to the subject matter of the report to the First Regular Session of the 133rd Legislature.

LD 603 An Act to Ensure That the Exemption of Certain Agricultural Buildings from the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code Includes Maple Sugarhouses

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 46 exempts buildings used primarily to process or store maple sap or syrup from the provisions of the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code.