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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.