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LD 398 An Act to Amend the Definition of "Transient Occupancy" in the Laws Governing the Maine Land Use Planning Commission

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 61 changes the definition of "transient occupancy" in the laws governing the Maine Land Use Planning Commission to mean occupancy that does not exceed 150 days, rather than 120 days as in prior law, in a calendar year.

Public Law 2025, chapter 61 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 9, 2025.

LD 491 Resolve, Requiring the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands to Convey Certain Real Property in the Town of Richmond

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2025, chapter 24 requires the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to convey certain property, approximately seven acres, in the Town of Richmond to Wilhelmine Dennis Oakes or the estate of Wilhelmine Dennis Oakes. The law provides that any legal or closing costs related to the conveyance of the property may not be paid by the bureau.

LD 528 An Act to Address the Rise in Rabies in Animals by Appointing Certified Rabies Vaccine Administrators

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 141 directs the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to appoint one or more persons in each county to administer rabies vaccines to animals and to develop a training program for this purpose. The law also explicitly adds licensed veterinary technicians under the indirect supervision of a licensed veterinarian to those persons authorized to administer rabies vaccinations.

LD 550 An Act to Support Outdoor, Agricultural-based and Hands-on Experiential Learning in Public Schools

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 183 establishes the Maine Experiential Education Program within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to develop and manage a grant program that provides support for public schools and school administrative units to create staff positions that provide outdoor and experiential hands-on learning opportunities, including opportunities