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**LD 1004 An Act to Adjust Certain Implementation and Reporting Dates in Legislation Held by the Governor That Became Law**

Public Law 2025, chapter 757 updates, as necessary, certain dates for implementation or reporting contained in legislation held by the Governor that became law in January 2026. Upon the adjournment sine die of the First Special Session of the 132nd Legislature on June 25, 2025, the Governor remained in possession of certain legislation finally enacted or passed by the Legislature and presented to the Governor. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, the final disposition of such legislation not signed by the Governor was determined in January 2026 during the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature. Public Law 2025, chapter 757 updates the following dates for implementation or reporting contained in such legislation held by the Governor that became law in January 2026, as described below.

1. Part A amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 500 governing the activities of the Maine Aomori Sister-State Advisory Council to provide that the first annual report of that council to the Governor and to the Legislature is due by February 1, 2027 instead of by February 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
2. Part B amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 508 requiring the University of Maine System to report to the Legislature regarding the establishment and implementation of a rural practice track at the University of Maine School of Law. It provides that this report must be submitted no later than January 1, 2027 instead of no later than January 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
3. Part C amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 510 governing the accessibility of law enforcement agency policies and procedures to provide that a law enforcement agency must publish and make publicly available its policies and procedures by January 1, 2027 instead of by January 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
4. Part D amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 512 requiring the Department of Administrative Services, Office of Cannabis Policy to provisionally adopt and submit for legislative review rules necessary to implement a medical cannabis research grant program. It provides that those rules must be submitted for legislative review on or before January 8, 2027 instead of on or before January 9, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
5. Part E amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 520 as follows.
  - A. It amends the law governing the activities of the Maine Emergency Medical Services Commission to provide that the first annual report of the commission to the Governor and the Legislature is due by January 1, 2027 instead of by January 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
  - B. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the Department of Public Safety, Maine Emergency Medical Services to conduct a funding needs analysis of communities seeking to engage in regional collaboration or the adoption of a regional model in the delivery of

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emergency medical services. It provides that the report regarding that funding needs analysis must be submitted to the Legislature on or before December 15, 2026 instead of on or before December 3, 2025, as was previously provided in law.

- C. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the Department of Public Safety, Maine Emergency Medical Services to submit to the Legislature a report, including proposed draft legislation, for the reorganization of the Emergency Medical Services' Board. It provides that this report must be submitted by December 15, 2026 instead of by December 3, 2025 as was previously provided in law.
  - D. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the Department of Public Safety, Maine Emergency Medical Services to implement a public information campaign regarding emergency medical services and to submit a report to the Legislature prior to the initiation of the campaign regarding resource needs for the campaign. It provides that this report must be submitted by December 15, 2026 instead of by December 3, 2025 as was previously provided in law and that the public information campaign must be implemented by July 1, 2027 instead of by July 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
6. Part F amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 522 as follows.
- A. It amends a provision of law requiring the Department of Health and Human Services, after October 1, 2025, to notify the joint standing committee having jurisdiction over health and human services matters whenever a children's residential care facility ceases operations. It changes the start date for this notification requirement to October 1, 2026.
  - B. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to convene a child residential treatment provider stakeholder group and to submit a report to the Legislature. It changes the date that report is due from no later than December 3, 2025 to no later than January 15, 2027.
  - C. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to develop and submit to the Legislature a report regarding children's behavioral health services data. It changes the date that report is due from no later than December 3, 2025 to no later than January 15, 2027.
7. Part G amends the effective date provision in Public Law 2025, chapter 523 to indicate that chapter 523 takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature, instead of January 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
8. Part H amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 529 requiring school administrative units, beginning in the 2026-2027 school year, to develop and implement a policy regarding access to automated external defibrillators at school-sponsored athletic events. It provides that this requirement begins with the 2027-2028 school year instead.
9. Part I amends provisions enacted in Public Law 2025, chapter 536 as follows.

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- A. It amends the provision of law requiring the State Liquor and Lottery Commission to develop and initiate a tick laboratory instant lottery game. It requires that lottery game to be initiated no later than July 1, 2027 instead of no later than July 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
  - B. It amends the provision of that public law requiring the State Liquor and Lottery Commission to submit a report to the Legislature regarding the status of the tick laboratory instant lottery game. It provides that this report is due by December 15, 2029 instead of by December 15, 2028 as was previously provided in law.
10. Part J amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 119 governing the date by which the Department of Health and Human Services is required to issue a request for applications for a grant to establish a pilot program to develop one child assertive community treatment team to serve the Lewiston or Bangor geographic area. It changes that date to March 1, 2027 instead of March 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
11. Part K amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 121 governing the activities of the Maine Arts Commission to require that the commission report its findings, including any suggested legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs by January 15, 2027 instead of December 3, 2025 as was previously provided in law.
12. Part L amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 122 governing the date by which the Department of Education is required to submit a report to the Legislature on data collected by the department on the number of mathematics classes required for a high school diploma at secondary schools in the State. It changes the date that the report is due to January 15, 2027 instead of January 15, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
13. Part M amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 124 governing the date by which the Department of Education is required to submit a report to the Legislature on its review of teacher mentoring programs in public schools in the State. It changes the date that the report is due to February 15, 2027 instead of February 16, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
14. Part N amends Resolve 2025, chapter 125 as follows.
- A. It amends the provision of law governing the date by which the Department of Education is required to submit a report to the Legislature on the results of a survey sent to all administrative units in the State to collect data and information on the status of personal finance education in schools. It changes the date that the report is due to January 15, 2027 instead of January 15, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
  - B. It amends the provision of law providing that the Department of Education is required to convene a working group of relevant stakeholders to develop recommendations on increasing accessibility to personal finance education to students in the State of all grade

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- levels. It changes the date that the working group must be convened to January 2027 instead of January 2026 as was previously provided in law.
- C. It amends the provision of law governing the date by which the Department of Education is required to submit a report to the Legislature on the findings and recommendations of the working group. It changes the date that the report is due to March 1, 2027 instead of March 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
15. Part O amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 126 governing the distribution by the Department of Education of best practices for training in de-escalation and behavior intervention to all school administrative units developed pursuant to the resolve. It changes the date by which those best practices must be distributed to September 1, 2027 instead of September 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
16. Part P amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 127 governing the date by which the Department of Education is required to submit a report on abbreviated school day placements to the Legislature. It changes the date by which that report is due to February 1, 2027 instead of February 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
17. Part Q amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 128 governing the date by which the Maine Developmental Disabilities Council is required to submit a report of the working group established in the resolve to the Legislature. It changes the date by which that report is due to January 31, 2027 instead of January 31, 2026 as was previously provided in law.
18. Part R amends provisions passed in Resolve 2025, chapter 130 governing the date by which the Department of Corrections is required to report its findings related to the study required in the resolve on the extent of gender inequality present in the programs, services, facilities and policies administered or overseen by the department to the Legislature. It changes the date that report is due to January 15, 2027 instead of December 3, 2025 as was previously provided in law.
19. Part S amends Resolve 2025, chapter 131 as follows.
- A. It updates any references to the former Governor’s Energy Office to the Department of Energy Resources, pursuant to Public Law 2025, chapter 476 (LD 1270).
- B. It amends the date by which the Department of Energy Resources is required to submit a report to the Legislature on the evaluation required in this resolve. It changes the date by which that report is due to February 1, 2027 instead of February 1, 2026 as was previously provided in law.