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certain facilities. The law also requires the department to review the course curriculum at least every five years and allows the department to establish by rule certification fees and sanction fees for certified residential medication aides and instructors.

LD 2103 An Act Requiring Hospitals to Adopt Cybersecurity Plans

Public Law 2025, chapter 668 requires hospitals, beginning January 1, 2027, to adopt a cybersecurity plan that is consistent with best practices established by the United States Department of Homeland Security, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency; the United States Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology; and the Healthcare and Public Health Sector Coordinating Council or its successor organization. It establishes requirements regarding testing and revising such plans, training of employees, post incident review, auditing and confidentiality.

LD 2105 An Act to Update Maine’s Mandated Reporting Laws

Public Law 2025, chapter 667 makes the following changes to the mandated reporter law.

1. It replaces the list of mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 1071, with a list that consolidates categories of mandated reporters and removes some categories from the list.
2. It removes the penalty for violations of the mandated reporter law and clarifies that the authority of an appropriate licensing board of a mandated reporter is not limited in taking action for a violation of the mandated reporter statutory requirements.
3. It requires a report of abuse or neglect to be made immediately but within no more than 24 hours.
4. It requires training for mandated reporters every two years instead of every four years.
5. It retains the current statutory structure of mandated reporters in institutions, agencies or facilities to use the designated agent system, although the person with first-hand information about suspected child abuse or neglect must make the report whenever possible. The institution, agency or facility may establish internal procedures to facilitate reporting. The person required to report may seek consultation to determine if a report is required.
6. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services, rather than the mandated reporter, to report to the appropriate district attorney’s office when the abuse or neglect is caused by a person not responsible for the child.