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PUBLIC LAW

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BY GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN

S.P. 436 - L.D. 1408

An Act To Allow Law Enforcement Officers To Wear Insignia on Their Uniforms To Indicate That They Are Veterans

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 25 MRSA c. 411 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 411

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' UNIFORMS

§3851. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

- 1. Law enforcement agency. "Law enforcement agency" means any state, county, municipality or other political unit within the territory belonging to the State or any department, agency or subdivision of any of the foregoing, or any corporation or other association carrying out the functions of government that employs law enforcement officers.
- 2. Law enforcement officer. "Law enforcement officer" means a person who by virtue of public employment is vested by law with a duty to make arrests for crimes, whether that duty extends to all crimes or is limited to specific crimes.

§3852. Law enforcement officer uniform

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a law enforcement agency may allow a law enforcement officer who is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States and who is employed by the agency to wear insignia on the officer's uniform to indicate that the officer is a veteran.