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**MAINE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, VETERANS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**
**2019-2020 Regulatory Agenda**

**15-213: Military Bureau**

**15-214: Maine Emergency Management Agency**

**15-215: Bureau of Veterans Services**

AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: **15-213 - Military Bureau**

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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:**

**Chapter 2**: Registration of Private Educational Institutions to Participate in the Maine National Guard Education Assistance Program, Effective Date: May 13, 2019

**EXPECTED 2019-2020 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:**

CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: **Chapter 1**: Maine Military Family Relief Fund

STATUTORY BASIS: 37-B M.R.S. §158

PURPOSE: This proposed amendment would revise all aspects of the current rule to include application process, advisory committee, evaluation criteria, and approval process. New rules may incorporate the Adjutant General’s authority to provide logistical and administrative support to military welfare societies to facilitate the distribution of emergency financial relief to eligible members of the Maine National Guard.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Prior to March 31, 2020.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Members or families of members of the Maine National Guard or residents of the State who are members or families of members of the Reserves of the Armed Forces of the United States.

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**15-214**

AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: **15-214** - **Maine Emergency Management Agency**

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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:**

None during the last annual period.

**EXPECTED 2019-2020 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:** None.

**15-215**

AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: **15-215 - Bureau of Veterans Services**

AGENCY NAME: Maine Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management

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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:**

None during the last annual period. Working on Chapter 2, Administration of the Veteran’s Emergency Financial Assistance Program

**EXPECTED 2019-2020 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:**

CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: **Chapter 3**: Hunting Opportunities for Disabled Veterans Fund

STATUTORY BASIS: 37-B, M.R.S. §516

PURPOSE: This proposed rule would establish the process and provisions to govern the recently enacted Hunting Opportunities for Disabled Veterans Fund. The fund will be used to support hunting opportunities in the State for disabled veterans through organizations who provide such opportunities.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Prior to March 31, 2020.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Veterans as defined in 37-B, M.R.S. §504.

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CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: **Chapter 4**: Veterans’ Homelessness Prevention Partnership

STATUTORY BASIS: 37-B, M.R.S. §513-A

PURPOSE: This proposed rule would establish the process and provisions to govern the recently enacted veterans’ homelessness prevention partnership program. Rules will be adopted to govern collaborative agreements with human services-based volunteer organizations and reimbursement of said organizations from the Veterans’ Homelessness Prevention Partnership Fund. Additionally, rules will be adopted to define veteran for the purpose of 37-B, §513-A.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 30, 2020.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Human services-based organizations who provide transitional housing to homeless veterans and veterans as defined by these rules.

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