**An Act To Create a Registry To Improve Access to Automated External Defibrillators**

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

**Sec.** **1. 32 MRSA §88-C** is enacted to read:

**§****88-C.** **Registry of automated external defibrillators**

The director shall establish a registry of publicly accessible automated external defibrillators, as defined in Title 22, section 2150-C, that are located within the State for the purpose of assisting a person or a law enforcement officer, firefighter or emergency medical services person who calls for assistance in an emergency situation.

The director may accept grants, funds, equipment and services to establish, operate and maintain the registry of publicly accessible automated external defibrillators. The department shall adopt rules regarding information collected for, maintained by and released by the registry. Rules adopted pursuant to this paragraph are routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

**SUMMARY**

This bill requires the Director of Maine Emergency Medical Services within the Department of Public Safety to establish a registry of publicly accessible automated external defibrillators located within the State for the purpose of assisting a person or a law enforcement officer, firefighter or emergency medical services person who calls for assistance in an emergency situation. The bill authorizes the director to accept grants, funds, equipment and services to establish, operate and maintain the registry of publicly accessible automated external defibrillators and requires the Department of Public Safety to adopt routine technical rules regarding the registry.