**§879. Human trafficking awareness signs**

**1. Department provides public awareness signs.**  The Department of Labor shall provide the Department of Transportation, the Maine Turnpike Authority and each employer in the State that is a business or employer listed in subsection 3 with public awareness signs that contain a telephone number for a national human trafficking hotline.

[PL 2017, c. 416, §4 (NEW).]

**2. Departments posting public awareness signs.**  The Department of Transportation and the Maine Turnpike Authority shall work cooperatively and shall post and keep posted in a conspicuous manner in every transportation center and every highway rest area and welcome center a public awareness sign provided by the Department of Labor pursuant to subsection 1.

[PL 2017, c. 416, §4 (NEW).]

**3. Businesses and employers posting public awareness signs.**  The following businesses and employers shall post and keep posted in a conspicuous manner that is clearly visible to the public and to employees within their businesses and places of employment public awareness signs provided by the Department of Labor pursuant to subsection 1:

A. A Department of Labor career center; [PL 2017, c. 416, §4 (NEW).]

B. An office that provides services under the Governor's Jobs Initiative Program under section 2031; [PL 2017, c. 416, §4 (NEW).]

C. A hospital or facility providing emergency medical services that is licensed under Title 22, section 1811; [PL 2017, c. 416, §4 (NEW).]

D. An eating and lodging place licensed under Title 22, chapter 562; [PL 2017, c. 416, §4 (NEW).]

E. An adult entertainment nightclub or bar, adult spa, establishment featuring strippers or erotic dancers or other sexually oriented business; [PL 2017, c. 416, §4 (NEW).]

F. A money transmitter licensed under Title 32, chapter 79‑A; and [PL 2023, c. 662, §1 (AMD).]

G. A check cashing business or foreign currency exchange business registered under Title 32, chapter 80, subchapter 2. [PL 2017, c. 416, §4 (NEW).]

[PL 2023, c. 662, §1 (AMD).]

**4. Penalty.**  A person who fails to post a sign as required by subsection 3 commits a civil violation for which a fine of $300 per violation must be adjudged.

[PL 2017, c. 416, §4 (NEW).]

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