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**MAINE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

**2013-2014 Regulatory Agenda**

September 12, 2013

AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: **94-348**

AGENCY NAME: **Maine Human Rights Commission**

**RULE-MAKING LIAISON:**

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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:** None

**EXPECTED 2013-2014 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:**

**CHAPTER 2**: Procedural Rule

STATUTORY BASIS: 5 M.R.S. §4566(7).

PURPOSE: Allow parties to complaints to pay the costs of mediations.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: December 2013/January 2014.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Parties appearing before the Commission.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: No.

**CHAPTER 3**: Employment

STATUTORY BASIS: 5 M.R.S. §4566(7).

PURPOSE: Update to ensure consistency with Maine Human Rights Act and corresponding federal regulations.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: December 2013/January 2014.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Employers, employment agencies, labor unions, and individuals.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: No.

**CHAPTER 4**: Equal Educational Opportunity

STATUTORY BASIS: 5 M.R.S. §4566(7).

PURPOSE: Add additional protected classes; enact harassment provisions; update existing provisions.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Unknown.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Students, teachers, administrators, schools.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: No.