

STATE OF MAINE
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR AND FIRST SPECIAL SESSIONS



Disposition of bills and summaries of all laws enacted or finally passed

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AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

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	LD 1353	An Act to Require the Technical Building Codes and Standards Board to Adopt the Canadian Standards Association Standard for Residential Mechanical Ventilation Systems as an Alternative Standard Under the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code	PUBLIC 292
Not Enacted	LD 647	An Act to Amend the Life Safety Code Regarding When Sprinkler Systems May Be Shut Off	ONTP
	LD 1057	An Act to Promote Consumer Protections in the Residential Building Sector by Requiring Contractors and Subcontractors to Supply Evidence of Insurance	ONTP

Competency to Stand Trial/Mental Health

Not Enacted	LD 179	An Act to Provide Support for Restorative Justice Practices in Maine	CARRIED OVER
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County Jails/Sheriffs' Offices

Enacted	LD 692	An Act Regarding Eligibility of County Jail Inmates for a Community Confinement Monitoring Program	PUBLIC 250
	LD 756	An Act to Limit Changes to the Resource Coordination Agreement Between the Bureau of State Police and the Penobscot County Sheriff's Department and Require Annual Reporting Regarding Resource Coordination Agreements	PUBLIC 443
Not Enacted	LD 630	An Act to Ensure Rural Law Enforcement Services in Maine	CARRIED OVER
	LD 799	An Act to Fund Patrol Positions for the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office	ONTP
	LD 1124	An Act Regarding Certification Credentials for the Office of Sheriff	ONTP

LD 1235	An Act to Provide Compensation to and to Limit Work Hours of Jail Employees	ONTP
LD 1301	An Act to Examine the Need for Intensive Case Managers and Improve Consistency Among County Jails Regarding Prisoner Attendance at Funerals, Furloughs, Visitation, Education and Discretionary Accounts	CARRIED OVER

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Enacted

LD 405	An Act Regarding False Public Alarms or Reports and Aggravated False Public Alarms or Reports	PUBLIC 430
LD 864	An Act to Clarify Provisions of the Maine Good Samaritan Law	PUBLIC 178
LD 1103	An Act to Allow Persons Who Lawfully Use or Possess Cannabis to Own or Possess Firearms or Ammunition	PUBLIC 381
LD 1119	An Act to Clarify the Criminal Statutes with Regard to Assaults on Emergency Medical Services Persons	PUBLIC 455
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LD 582	An Act to Enhance Certain Penalties for Possession of Firearms by Prohibited Persons	HELD BY GOVERNOR
LD 714	An Act to Expand the List of Crimes That Do Not Qualify for Immunity Under Maine's Good Samaritan Laws Concerning Drug-related Medical Assistance	Majority (ONTP) Report
LD 761	An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Crime of Endangering the Welfare of a Child and to Create the Crime of Aggravated Endangering the Welfare of a Child	Died On Adjournment
LD 911	An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Certain Law Enforcement Interactions and Tools for Determining Residency During Conflict Resolution	CARRIED OVER
LD 1046	An Act to Decriminalize Public Drinking	Majority (ONTP) Report
LD 1401	An Act to Protect Officials and Participants at Sporting Events	Majority (ONTP) Report

LD 1560	An Act to Remove the Duty of an Individual Exercising Self-defense to Safely Retreat or Abstain from Performing Certain Acts upon Demand	Majority (ONTP) Report
LD 1789	An Act to Remove All Marijuana-related Provisions from the Maine Criminal Code and Expunge All Convictions Involving Marijuana	CARRIED OVER
LD 1903	Resolve, to Create an Advisory Council to Oversee the Review and Revision of the Maine Criminal Code and Other Statutes Establishing Criminal Offenses	CARRIED OVER
LD 1949	An Act to Establish an Affirmative Defense to the Crime of Criminal Trespass and Aggravated Criminal Trespass That the Person Was Unhoused and Seeking Shelter	Leave to Withdraw Pursuant to Joint Rule 310

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Enacted

LD 1311	An Act Regarding the Legal Use or Possession of Cannabis or Marijuana Under Conditions of Bail, Pretrial Release or Probation	PUBLIC 299
LD 1625	An Act to Update Criminal Indictment Procedures and Expand the Provision of Counsel to Certain Indigent Defendants	PUBLIC 485
LD 1632	An Act to Require Proper Storage of Forensic Exam Evidence	PUBLIC 236

Not Enacted

LD 178	An Act to Support Reentry and Reintegration into the Community	Report A (ONTP)
LD 288	An Act Concerning Housing and Support Services for At-risk Youth and Youth Who Have Committed Juvenile Crimes	CARRIED OVER
LD 1087	An Act to Remove Restrictions in the Provisions of Law Relating to No-knock Warrants	Majority (ONTP) Report
LD 1189	An Act to Amend the Burden of Proof for Defendants Who Cannot Pay Criminal Restitution	ONTP
LD 1359	An Act to Provide an Opportunity for Resentencing for Individuals Who Were Sentenced for Crimes Committed as Juveniles	CARRIED OVER

Department of Corrections

Enacted

LD 4	An Act to Update Provisions of the Department of Corrections Laws Regarding Operation and Administration of Jails, Women's Services and Juvenile Detention	PUBLIC 135
LD 439	An Act to Allow Death by Suicide to Be Considered a Death While in the Line of Duty	PUBLIC 433

Not Enacted	LD 823	An Act to Reimburse the Town of Charleston for Expenses Related to the Mountain View Correctional Facility	ONTP
	LD 895	An Act to Establish Culturally Informed Reentry or Reintegration Halfway Houses	ONTP
	LD 1086	An Act to Define the Term "Solitary Confinement" for the Laws Governing a Jail or Correctional Facility	CARRIED OVER
	LD 1514	An Act to Provide Safe, Short-term Housing to Individuals Recently Released from Correctional Facilities	CARRIED OVER
	LD 1583	An Act to Provide a Pathway to Sobriety for Formerly or Currently Incarcerated Individuals	Report A (ONTP)
	LD 1633	An Act to Establish a Community-based Reentry Program in All Department of Corrections Facilities	CARRIED OVER
	LD 1715	An Act to Replace Certain Stigmatizing Language in the Maine Revised Statutes, Titles 22, 25 and 34-A with Respectful Language	Died Between Houses
	LD 1863	An Act to Facilitate the Provision of Medically Appropriate Levels of Care for Clients of Correctional Facilities	CARRIED OVER
	LD 1978	An Act to Enact the Reentry Success and Earned Time Act	CARRIED OVER

Department of Public Safety

Enacted	LD 244	Resolve, Directing Maine Emergency Medical Services to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Explore Emergency Medical Services Career Pathways and Educational Opportunities in the State	RESOLVE 15
	LD 1484	Resolve, Regarding the Status of Federal Grant Applications or Money Secured for the Funding of a Sexual Assault Kit Tracking Pilot Program	RESOLVE 70
Not Enacted	LD 215	Resolve, to Require the Commissioner of Public Safety to Conduct a Study Regarding Cadet Law Enforcement Officers Who Are Injured and Law Enforcement Officers Who Leave the Sponsoring Agency	ONTP
	LD 963	An Act to Require Reporting and Training About Domestic Terrorism Threats	Majority (ONTP) Report
	LD 1290	An Act to End the Maine Information and Analysis Center Program	Majority (ONTP) Report

LD 1492	An Act to Increase the Transparency and Accountability of the Maine Information and Analysis Center	CARRIED OVER
LD 1715	An Act to Replace Certain Stigmatizing Language in the Maine Revised Statutes, Titles 22, 25 and 34-A with Respectful Language	Died Between Houses
LD 1859	An Act to Reimburse Training Costs for Emergency Medical and Public Safety Dispatchers	Majority (ONTP) Report

Drug Crimes

**Not
Enacted**

LD 828	An Act to Ban the Drug Tianeptine	Died Between Houses
LD 968	An Act Regarding Restitution by Persons Convicted of Trafficking in Illegal Drugs	Majority (ONTP) Report
LD 986	An Act to Ensure Safer Communities by Increasing the Punishment for Crimes Involving Fentanyl	Died Between Houses
LD 994	An Act to Include Possession of Compounds, Mixtures or Substances Containing a Detectable Amount of Certain Scheduled Drugs to Prove the Offense of Unlawful Trafficking of Scheduled Drugs	Died Between Houses
LD 1295	An Act Regarding Penalties for Maintaining Drug-involved Premises	Majority (ONTP) Report
LD 1509	An Act to Amend Certain Provisions of Maine's Drug Laws	ONTP
LD 1545	An Act to Reduce Drug Overdoses and Death by Expanding the Crime of Aggravated Trafficking of Scheduled Drugs by Including Compounds, Mixtures or Substances	ONTP

Emergency Medical Services

Enacted

LD 47	An Act to Amend the Law Governing Licensing Actions of the Emergency Medical Services' Board	PUBLIC 111
LD 244	Resolve, Directing Maine Emergency Medical Services to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Explore Emergency Medical Services Career Pathways and Educational Opportunities in the State	RESOLVE 15
LD 526	An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Emergency Medical Services Stabilization and Sustainability Program	PUBLIC 438
LD 919	An Act Regarding Licensure in the Field of Emergency Medical Services	PUBLIC 166

	LD 981	An Act to Require All Emergency Medical Services Persons to Be Trained to Administer and Dispense Naloxone Hydrochloride	PUBLIC 92
	LD 1119	An Act to Clarify the Criminal Statutes with Regard to Assaults on Emergency Medical Services Persons	PUBLIC 455
	LD 1701	Resolve, to Reestablish and Continue the Work of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State	RESOLVE 99
Not Enacted	LD 326	An Act to Improve Recruitment and Retention of First Responders	ONTP
	LD 913	An Act to Support First Responders	CARRIED OVER
	LD 1515	An Act to Fund Delivery of Emergency Medical Services	CARRIED OVER
	LD 1859	An Act to Reimburse Training Costs for Emergency Medical and Public Safety Dispatchers	Majority (ONTP) Report

Firearms/Concealed Firearms

Enacted	LD 22	An Act to Impede the Transfer of Firearms to Prohibited Persons	PUBLIC 305
	LD 1103	An Act to Allow Persons Who Lawfully Use or Possess Cannabis to Own or Possess Firearms or Ammunition	PUBLIC 381
Not Enacted	LD 60	An Act to Require a 72-hour Waiting Period After the Sale of a Firearm	Minority (ONTP) Report
	LD 168	An Act Regarding Criminal Background Checks for the Sale, Transfer or Exchange of Firearms	Died Between Houses
	LD 493	An Act to Establish a Statewide Relinquished Firearms Inventory	Leave to Withdraw Pursuant to Joint Rule 310
	LD 551	An Act to Strengthen Maine Citizens' Second Amendment Rights by Allowing the Discharge of Firearms on Private Property That Is Within 500 Feet of School Property in Certain Circumstances	Died Between Houses
	LD 582	An Act to Enhance Certain Penalties for Possession of Firearms by Prohibited Persons	HELD BY GOVERNOR
	LD 624	An Act to Prohibit Government Officials from Maintaining Records Related to Firearms Owners	Died Between Houses

LD 674	An Act to Allow Bail Commissioners to Carry Firearms in Correctional Facilities and Jails	Minority (ONTP) Report
LD 943	An Act to Enhance Privacy and Prohibit Shipping Companies from Maintaining Records of Firearm and Ammunition Shipments	Majority (ONTP) Report
LD 1011	An Act Requiring the Reporting of Stolen Firearms	Majority (ONTP) Report
LD 1340	An Act to Prohibit the Sale or Possession of Rapid-fire Modification Devices	Died Between Houses
LD 1451	An Act to Prohibit State and Local Enforcement of Federal Firearms Laws	Majority (ONTP) Report
LD 1561	An Act to Restore Firearm Rights and Hunting Privileges to Persons Previously Convicted of Certain Nonviolent Felony Crimes	CARRIED OVER

Firefighters

Enacted

LD 516	An Act to Reduce Cancer Among Firefighters by Providing Grants for Safety Equipment	PUBLIC 437
LD 588	An Act to Promote Public Safety and Retain Essential First Responders by Funding the Maine Length of Service Award Program	PUBLIC 439
LD 1280	An Act to Invest in Maine's Fire Service Training Facilities	PUBLIC 459
LD 1802	An Act to Include Certain Volunteer Firefighters in the Tax Credit for Employers of Individuals Who Are Volunteer Firefighters or Volunteer Municipal Emergency Medical Services Persons	PUBLIC 478

Not Enacted

LD 913	An Act to Support First Responders	CARRIED OVER
LD 1742	An Act to Enhance the Use of Critical Incident Stress Management Teams and to Require Peer Team Support	CARRIED OVER

Fireworks

Not Enacted

LD 745	An Act to Prohibit the Use of Toy Cannon Fireworks Devices That Exceed 150 Decibels Without Permission from Affected Property Owners	ONTP
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Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Crimes and Civil Violations

Enacted	LD 428	An Act to Reclassify Certain Offenses Under the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Laws	PUBLIC 431
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Juveniles

Enacted	LD 39	An Act to Amend the Maine Juvenile Code	PUBLIC 136
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	LD 42	An Act Regarding Training for Corrections Officers	PUBLIC 341
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	LD 155	An Act Regarding Community-based Services for Youth Involved in the Juvenile Justice System	PUBLIC 425
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Not Enacted	LD 148	An Act to Allow Detention of Juveniles for Certain Acts	Majority (ONTP) Report
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	LD 179	An Act to Provide Support for Restorative Justice Practices in Maine	CARRIED OVER
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	LD 288	An Act Concerning Housing and Support Services for At-risk Youth and Youth Who Have Committed Juvenile Crimes	CARRIED OVER
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	LD 433	Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Corrections and the Commissioner of Health and Human Services to Establish a Working Group on the Relocation of the Division of Juvenile Services	ONTP
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	LD 702	An Act Regarding the Detention, Supervision and Transportation of Arrested Juveniles	Leave to Withdraw Pursuant to Joint Rule 310
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	LD 895	An Act to Establish Culturally Informed Reentry or Reintegration Halfway Houses	ONTP
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	LD 1359	An Act to Provide an Opportunity for Resentencing for Individuals Who Were Sentenced for Crimes Committed as Juveniles	CARRIED OVER
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	LD 1779	An Act to Develop a Continuum of Care for Youth Involved in the Justice System and to Develop Alternatives for Juveniles Incarcerated in Long Creek Youth Development Center	CARRIED OVER
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	LD 1878	Resolve, to Create the Council to Transition Long Creek Youth Development Center	ONTP
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Law Enforcement

Enacted	LD 42	An Act Regarding Training for Corrections Officers	PUBLIC 341
	LD 96	An Act to Ensure Release of Relevant Background Investigation Material to Current Employers of Law Enforcement and Corrections Officers	PUBLIC 84
	LD 229	An Act to Compensate Tribal Governments for Basic Training for a Law Enforcement Officer Hired by Another Government Agency	PUBLIC 242
	LD 847	Resolve, to Study Implementation of a Program to Provide Trauma-informed Training for Law Enforcement Officers at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy	RESOLVE 37
	LD 1036	An Act to Require All Uniformed Patrol Officers to Carry Naloxone Hydrochloride When on Duty	PUBLIC 153
Not Enacted	LD 215	Resolve, to Require the Commissioner of Public Safety to Conduct a Study Regarding Cadet Law Enforcement Officers Who Are Injured and Law Enforcement Officers Who Leave the Sponsoring Agency	ONTP
	LD 630	An Act to Ensure Rural Law Enforcement Services in Maine	CARRIED OVER
	LD 673	An Act to Direct the Maine Criminal Justice Academy to Develop a Nonresidential Law Enforcement Training Program	Died Between Houses
	LD 799	An Act to Fund Patrol Positions for the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office	ONTP
	LD 1234	An Act to Provide Reimbursement for the Health Care Expenses of All Retired Law Enforcement, Corrections and Search and Rescue Dogs	CARRIED OVER
	LD 1247	Resolve, to Study Training in Racial Issues, Racial Justice and Social Issues at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and Study Additional Requirements for Law Enforcement Officers and Candidates	Died On Adjournment
	LD 1290	An Act to End the Maine Information and Analysis Center Program	Majority (ONTP) Report

Maine Criminal Justice Academy

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Not Enacted	LD 673	An Act to Direct the Maine Criminal Justice Academy to Develop a Nonresidential Law Enforcement Training Program	Died Between Houses
	LD 1247	Resolve, to Study Training in Racial Issues, Racial Justice and Social Issues at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and Study Additional Requirements for Law Enforcement Officers and Candidates	Died On Adjournment

Maine Emergency Management Agency

Enacted	LD 95	An Act Concerning the Membership of the State Emergency Response Commission and Fees for Registering Facilities Required to Report to That Commission	PUBLIC 62
Not Enacted	LD 1133	An Act Regarding Emergency Management Funding for Municipal Shelters	ONTP
	LD 1742	An Act to Enhance the Use of Critical Incident Stress Management Teams and to Require Peer Team Support	CARRIED OVER

OUI/OAS/Other MV Violations

Enacted	LD 429	An Act to Reclassify Certain Offenses Under the Motor Vehicle Laws and Increase the Efficiency of the Criminal Justice System	PUBLIC 362
Not Enacted	LD 1519	An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Operating Under the Influence	Majority (ONTP) Report

Prison/Jail/Inmate

Enacted	LD 692	An Act Regarding Eligibility of County Jail Inmates for a Community Confinement Monitoring Program	PUBLIC 250
	LD 1626	An Act to Standardize Requirements Between Boards of Visitors for County Jails and Department of Corrections Correctional Facilities	PUBLIC 383
Not Enacted	LD 178	An Act to Support Reentry and Reintegration into the Community	Report A (ONTP)
	LD 674	An Act to Allow Bail Commissioners to Carry Firearms in Correctional Facilities and Jails	Minority (ONTP) Report

LD 823	An Act to Reimburse the Town of Charleston for Expenses Related to the Mountain View Correctional Facility	ONTP
LD 931	An Act to Expand the State's Workforce by Supporting the Transition from Incarceration to Employment	CARRIED OVER
LD 1086	An Act to Define the Term "Solitary Confinement" for the Laws Governing a Jail or Correctional Facility	CARRIED OVER
LD 1514	An Act to Provide Safe, Short-term Housing to Individuals Recently Released from Correctional Facilities	CARRIED OVER
LD 1543	Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Recommend Cost-effective, Safe, Administrable and Healthful Programs to Reduce Violence in Prisons and Jails	Died On Adjournment
LD 1583	An Act to Provide a Pathway to Sobriety for Formerly or Currently Incarcerated Individuals	Report A (ONTP)
LD 1863	An Act to Facilitate the Provision of Medically Appropriate Levels of Care for Clients of Correctional Facilities	CARRIED OVER
LD 1875	Resolve, to Create a Pilot Program for Apprenticeships for Inmates	Majority (ONTP) Report
LD 1978	An Act to Enact the Reentry Success and Earned Time Act	CARRIED OVER

Public Safety/Emergency Medical Services

Enacted	LD 244	Resolve, Directing Maine Emergency Medical Services to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Explore Emergency Medical Services Career Pathways and Educational Opportunities in the State	RESOLVE 15
Not Enacted	LD 647	An Act to Amend the Life Safety Code Regarding When Sprinkler Systems May Be Shut Off	ONTP

Sex Offender Registration

Enacted	LD 115	An Act to Protect Minors from Exploitation by Adults for Violation of Privacy	PUBLIC 227
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Sex Offenses -- Criminal

Enacted	LD 115	An Act to Protect Minors from Exploitation by Adults for Violation of Privacy	PUBLIC 227
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LD 1657 An Act to Define "Consent" and Amend the Law Governing Certain Sexual Offenses PUBLIC 280

Substance Use Disorder

Enacted

LD 981 An Act to Require All Emergency Medical Services Persons to Be Trained to Administer and Dispense Naloxone Hydrochloride PUBLIC 92

LD 1036 An Act to Require All Uniformed Patrol Officers to Carry Naloxone Hydrochloride When on Duty PUBLIC 153

LD 1052 An Act to Expand Good Samaritan Protections for Naloxone Hydrochloride Administration PUBLIC 154

LD 1364 Resolve, to Study Methods of Preventing Opioid Overdose Deaths by Authorizing Harm Reduction Health Centers RESOLVE 120

Not Enacted

LD 109 Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study Measures to Improve Safety for Residents of Recovery Residences Died On Adjournment

LD 714 An Act to Expand the List of Crimes That Do Not Qualify for Immunity Under Maine's Good Samaritan Laws Concerning Drug-related Medical Assistance Majority (ONTP) Report

Theft/Bad Checks

Not Enacted

LD 1039 An Act to Provide Restitution for Victims of Shoplifting for Time Spent Dealing with the Offense ONTP

Victim Rights

Enacted

LD 1014 An Act Regarding Payments to Recipients of Restitution PUBLIC 196

LD 1438 An Act to Require Standard Procedures to Protect Stalking Victims and Access to Certain Criminal Complaints PUBLIC 235

Not Enacted

LD 1039 An Act to Provide Restitution for Victims of Shoplifting for Time Spent Dealing with the Offense ONTP

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CJPS	4	An Act to Update Provisions of the Department of Corrections Laws Regarding Operation and Administration of Jails, Women's Services and Juvenile Detention	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/15/23	Enacted	PL	135		S1
CJPS	22	An Act to Impede the Transfer of Firearms to Prohibited Persons	Reported Out	OTP-AM/OTP-AM		6/9/23	Enacted	PL	305		S1
CJPS	39	An Act to Amend the Maine Juvenile Code	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/18/23	Enacted	PL	136		S1
CJPS	42	An Act Regarding Training for Corrections Officers	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/21/23	Enacted	PL	341		S1
CJPS	47	An Act to Amend the Law Governing Licensing Actions of the Emergency Medical Services' Board	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/11/23	Emergency Enacted	PL	111		S1
CJPS	60	An Act to Require a 72-hour Waiting Period After the Sale of a Firearm	Reported Out	OTP-AM/ONTP		6/9/23	Accepted Minority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	95	An Act Concerning the Membership of the State Emergency Response Commission and Fees for Registering Facilities Required to Report to That Commission	Reported Out	OTP-AM		4/20/23	Enacted	PL	62		S1
CJPS	96	An Act to Ensure Release of Relevant Background Investigation Material to Current Employers of Law Enforcement and Corrections Officers	Reported Out	OTP-AM		4/28/23	Enacted	PL	84		S1
CJPS	104	An Act to Make It a Crime Not to Report a Death	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP-AM		5/15/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	109	Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study Measures to Improve Safety for Residents of Recovery Residences	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/24/23	Died On Adjournment				S1
CJPS	115	An Act to Protect Minors from Exploitation by Adults for Violation of Privacy	Reported Out	OTP-AM/OTP-AM		6/8/23	Enacted	PL	227		S1

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CJPS	148	An Act to Allow Detention of Juveniles for Certain Acts	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		6/8/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	155	An Act Regarding Community-based Services for Youth Involved in the Juvenile Justice System	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/20/23	Enacted	PL	425		S1
CJPS	168	An Act Regarding Criminal Background Checks for the Sale, Transfer or Exchange of Firearms	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/20/23	Died Between Houses				S1
CJPS	178	An Act to Support Reentry and Reintegration into the Community	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM/OTP- AM		6/21/23	Accepted Report A (ONTP)				S1
CJPS	179	An Act to Provide Support for Restorative Justice Practices in Maine	Carry Over Approved			7/25/23	Carried in Comm				S1
CJPS	207	Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Public Safety to Establish a Stakeholder Group to Examine the Responsibilities, Fees and Duties of the Technical Building Codes and Standards Board	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/16/23	Finally Passed	RESLV	29		S1
CJPS	215	Resolve, to Require the Commissioner of Public Safety to Conduct a Study Regarding Cadet Law Enforcement Officers Who Are Injured and Law Enforcement Officers Who Leave the Sponsoring Agency	Reported Out	ONTP		3/2/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				R1
CJPS	229	An Act to Compensate Tribal Governments for Basic Training for a Law Enforcement Officer Hired by Another Government Agency	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/25/23	Enacted	PL	242		S1
CJPS	244	Resolve, Directing Maine Emergency Medical Services to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Explore Emergency Medical Services Career Pathways and Educational Opportunities in the State	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		4/19/23	Finally Passed	RESLV	15		S1
CJPS	288	An Act Concerning Housing and Support Services for At-risk Youth and Youth Who Have Committed Juvenile Crimes	Carry Over Approved			7/25/23	Carried in Comm				S1

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CJPS	326	An Act to Improve Recruitment and Retention of First Responders	Reported Out	ONTP		5/30/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	405	An Act Regarding False Public Alarms or Reports and Aggravated False Public Alarms or Reports	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/8/23	Enacted	PL	430		S1
CJPS	428	An Act to Reclassify Certain Offenses Under the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Laws	Reported Out	OTP- AM/OTP- AM		5/11/23	Enacted	PL	431		S1
CJPS	429	An Act to Reclassify Certain Offenses Under the Motor Vehicle Laws and Increase the Efficiency of the Criminal Justice System	Reported Out	OTP- AM/OTP- AM		6/5/23	Enacted	PL	362		S1
CJPS	433	Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Corrections and the Commissioner of Health and Human Services to Establish a Working Group on the Relocation of the Division of Juvenile Services	Reported Out	ONTP		5/23/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	439	An Act to Allow Death by Suicide to Be Considered a Death While in the Line of Duty	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/12/23	Enacted	PL	433		S1
CJPS	493	An Act to Establish a Statewide Relinquished Firearms Inventory	Reported Out	LTW		3/31/23	Leave to Withdraw Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	516	An Act to Reduce Cancer Among Firefighters by Providing Grants for Safety Equipment	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/2/23	Enacted	PL	437		S1
CJPS	526	An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Emergency Medical Services Stabilization and Sustainability Program	Reported Out	OTP- AM/OTP- AM		6/14/23	Enacted	PL	438		S1
CJPS	551	An Act to Strengthen Maine Citizens' Second Amendment Rights by Allowing the Discharge of Firearms on Private Property That Is Within 500 Feet of School Property in Certain Circumstances	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		6/12/23	Died Between Houses				S1

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CJPS	582	An Act to Enhance Certain Penalties for Possession of Firearms by Prohibited Persons	Reported Out	OTP- AM/OTP- AM		6/14/23	Held by Governor			✓	S1
CJPS	588	An Act to Promote Public Safety and Retain Essential First Responders by Funding the Maine Length of Service Award Program	Reported Out	OTP		4/10/23	Enacted	PL	439		S1
CJPS	624	An Act to Prohibit Government Officials from Maintaining Records Related to Firearms Owners	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		6/13/23	Died Between Houses				S1
CJPS	630	An Act to Ensure Rural Law Enforcement Services in Maine	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	647	An Act to Amend the Life Safety Code Regarding When Sprinkler Systems May Be Shut Off	Reported Out	ONTP		4/18/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	673	An Act to Direct the Maine Criminal Justice Academy to Develop a Nonresidential Law Enforcement Training Program	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		5/23/23	Died Between Houses				S1
CJPS	674	An Act to Allow Bail Commissioners to Carry Firearms in Correctional Facilities and Jails	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		5/25/23	Accepted Minority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	692	An Act Regarding Eligibility of County Jail Inmates for a Community Confinement Monitoring Program	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/2/23	Enacted	PL	250		S1
CJPS	702	An Act Regarding the Detention, Supervision and Transportation of Arrested Juveniles	Reported Out	LTW		3/23/23	Leave to Withdraw Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				R1
CJPS	714	An Act to Expand the List of Crimes That Do Not Qualify for Immunity Under Maine's Good Samaritan Laws Concerning Drug-related Medical Assistance	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		6/8/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1

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CJPS	745	An Act to Prohibit the Use of Toy Cannon Fireworks Devices That Exceed 150 Decibels Without Permission from Affected Property Owners	Reported Out	ONTP		3/28/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	756	An Act to Limit Changes to the Resource Coordination Agreement Between the Bureau of State Police and the Penobscot County Sheriff's Department and Require Annual Reporting Regarding Resource Coordination Agreements	Reported Out	OTP-AM/ONTP/ OTP-AM/OTP-AM		6/13/23	Enacted	PL	443		S1
CJPS	761	An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Crime of Endangering the Welfare of a Child and to Create the Crime of Aggravated Endangering the Welfare of a Child	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP-AM		6/8/23	Died On Adjournment				S1
CJPS	799	An Act to Fund Patrol Positions for the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office	Reported Out	ONTP		5/30/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	823	An Act to Reimburse the Town of Charleston for Expenses Related to the Mountain View Correctional Facility	Reported Out	ONTP		5/30/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	828	An Act to Ban the Drug Tianeptine	Reported Out	OTP-AM/ONTP/ OTP-AM		6/8/23	Died Between Houses				S1
CJPS	847	Resolve, to Study Implementation of a Program to Provide Trauma-informed Training for Law Enforcement Officers at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/24/23	Finally Passed	RESLV	37		S1
CJPS	864	An Act to Clarify Provisions of the Maine Good Samaritan Law	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/30/23	Enacted	PL	178		S1

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CJPS	895	An Act to Establish Culturally Informed Reentry or Reintegration Halfway Houses	Reported Out	ONTP		4/21/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	911	An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Certain Law Enforcement Interactions and Tools for Determining Residency During Conflict Resolution	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	913	An Act to Support First Responders	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	919	An Act Regarding Licensure in the Field of Emergency Medical Services	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/24/23	Enacted	PL	166		S1
CJPS	931	An Act to Expand the State's Workforce by Supporting the Transition from Incarceration to Employment	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	943	An Act to Enhance Privacy and Prohibit Shipping Companies from Maintaining Records of Firearm and Ammunition Shipments	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP-AM/OTP		6/13/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	963	An Act to Require Reporting and Training About Domestic Terrorism Threats	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP		6/13/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	968	An Act Regarding Restitution by Persons Convicted of Trafficking in Illegal Drugs	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP		6/20/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	981	An Act to Require All Emergency Medical Services Persons to Be Trained to Administer and Dispense Naloxone Hydrochloride	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP		4/10/23	Enacted	PL	92		S1
CJPS	986	An Act to Ensure Safer Communities by Increasing the Punishment for Crimes Involving Fentanyl	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP-AM		6/14/23	Died Between Houses				S1
CJPS	994	An Act to Include Possession of Compounds, Mixtures or Substances Containing a Detectable Amount of Certain Scheduled Drugs to Prove the Offense of Unlawful Trafficking of Scheduled Drugs	Reported Out	OTP-AM/ONTP		6/9/23	Died Between Houses				S1

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CJPS	1011	An Act Requiring the Reporting of Stolen Firearms	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		6/15/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	1014	An Act Regarding Payments to Recipients of Restitution	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/2/23	Enacted	PL	196		S1
CJPS	1036	An Act to Require All Uniformed Patrol Officers to Carry Naloxone Hydrochloride When on Duty	Reported Out	OTP- AM/OTP- AM		5/18/23	Enacted	PL	153		S1
CJPS	1039	An Act to Provide Restitution for Victims of Shoplifting for Time Spent Dealing with the Offense	Reported Out	ONTP		4/21/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	1046	An Act to Decriminalize Public Drinking	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		5/30/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	1052	An Act to Expand Good Samaritan Protections for Naloxone Hydrochloride Administration	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/16/23	Enacted	PL	154		S1
CJPS	1057	An Act to Promote Consumer Protections in the Residential Building Sector by Requiring Contractors and Subcontractors to Supply Evidence of Insurance	Reported Out	ONTP		5/1/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	1086	An Act to Define the Term "Solitary Confinement" for the Laws Governing a Jail or Correctional Facility	Reported Out	OTP- AM/OTP/O TP-AM	Carried on floor	6/13/23					S1
CJPS	1087	An Act to Remove Restrictions in the Provisions of Law Relating to No-knock Warrants	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		6/13/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	1103	An Act to Allow Persons Who Lawfully Use or Possess Cannabis to Own or Possess Firearms or Ammunition	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/15/23	Enacted	PL	381		S1

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CJPS	1119	An Act to Clarify the Criminal Statutes with Regard to Assaults on Emergency Medical Services Persons	Reported Out	OTP- AM/OTP- AM		6/20/23	Enacted	PL	455		S1
CJPS	1124	An Act Regarding Certification Credentials for the Office of Sheriff	Reported Out	ONTP		5/1/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	1133	An Act Regarding Emergency Management Funding for Municipal Shelters	Reported Out	ONTP		5/23/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	1189	An Act to Amend the Burden of Proof for Defendants Who Cannot Pay Criminal Restitution	Reported Out	ONTP		4/21/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	1234	An Act to Provide Reimbursement for the Health Care Expenses of All Retired Law Enforcement, Corrections and Search and Rescue Dogs	Reported Out	OTP-AM	Carried On Approps Table	6/12/23					S1
CJPS	1235	An Act to Provide Compensation to and to Limit Work Hours of Jail Employees	Reported Out	ONTP		5/1/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	1247	Resolve, to Study Training in Racial Issues, Racial Justice and Social Issues at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and Study Additional Requirements for Law Enforcement Officers and Candidates	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		5/24/23	Died On Adjournment				S1
CJPS	1280	An Act to Invest in Maine's Fire Service Training Facilities	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/1/23	Enacted	PL	459		S1

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CJPS	1290	An Act to End the Maine Information and Analysis Center Program	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		6/12/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	1295	An Act Regarding Penalties for Maintaining Drug-involved Premises	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP		6/8/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	1301	An Act to Examine the Need for Intensive Case Managers and Improve Consistency Among County Jails Regarding Prisoner Attendance at Funerals, Furloughs, Visitation, Education and Discretionary Accounts	Reported Out	OTP- AM/OTP- AM/ONTP	Carried On Approps Table	6/15/23					S1
CJPS	1311	An Act Regarding the Legal Use or Possession of Cannabis or Marijuana Under Conditions of Bail, Pretrial Release or Probation	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/2/23	Enacted	PL	299		S1
CJPS	1340	An Act to Prohibit the Sale or Possession of Rapid-fire Modification Devices	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/13/23	Died Between Houses				S1
CJPS	1353	An Act to Require the Technical Building Codes and Standards Board to Adopt the Canadian Standards Association Standard for Residential Mechanical Ventilation Systems as an Alternative Standard Under the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/6/23	Enacted	PL	292		S1
CJPS	1359	An Act to Provide an Opportunity for Resentencing for Individuals Who Were Sentenced for Crimes Committed as Juveniles	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	1364	Resolve, to Study Methods of Preventing Opioid Overdose Deaths by Authorizing Harm Reduction Health Centers	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/14/23	Finally Passed	RESLV	120		S1
CJPS	1401	An Act to Protect Officials and Participants at Sporting Events	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		5/16/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1

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CJPS	1438	An Act to Require Standard Procedures to Protect Stalking Victims and Access to Certain Criminal Complaints	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/14/23	Enacted	PL	235		S1
CJPS	1451	An Act to Prohibit State and Local Enforcement of Federal Firearms Laws	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP-AM		6/20/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	1484	Resolve, Regarding the Status of Federal Grant Applications or Money Secured for the Funding of a Sexual Assault Kit Tracking Pilot Program	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/8/23	Finally Passed	RESLV	70		S1
CJPS	1492	An Act to Increase the Transparency and Accountability of the Maine Information and Analysis Center	Reported Out	OTP-AM/ONTP	Carried On Approps Table	6/16/23					S1
CJPS	1509	An Act to Amend Certain Provisions of Maine's Drug Laws	Reported Out	ONTP		5/1/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	1514	An Act to Provide Safe, Short-term Housing to Individuals Recently Released from Correctional Facilities	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	1515	An Act to Fund Delivery of Emergency Medical Services	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	1519	An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Operating Under the Influence	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP-AM		5/24/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	1543	Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Recommend Cost-effective, Safe, Administrable and Healthful Programs to Reduce Violence in Prisons and Jails	Reported Out	OTP-AM/ONTP		6/13/23	Died On Adjournment				S1
CJPS	1545	An Act to Reduce Drug Overdoses and Death by Expanding the Crime of Aggravated Trafficking of Scheduled Drugs by Including Compounds, Mixtures or Substances	Reported Out	ONTP		5/23/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1

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CJPS	1560	An Act to Remove the Duty of an Individual Exercising Self-defense to Safely Retreat or Abstain from Performing Certain Acts upon Demand	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		5/31/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	1561	An Act to Restore Firearm Rights and Hunting Privileges to Persons Previously Convicted of Certain Nonviolent Felony Crimes	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	1583	An Act to Provide a Pathway to Sobriety for Formerly or Currently Incarcerated Individuals	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM/OTP- AM		6/20/23	Accepted Report A (ONTP)				S1
CJPS	1625	An Act to Update Criminal Indictment Procedures and Expand the Provision of Counsel to Certain Indigent Defendants	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/8/23	Enacted	PL	485		S1
CJPS	1626	An Act to Standardize Requirements Between Boards of Visitors for County Jails and Department of Corrections Correctional Facilities	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/16/23	Enacted	PL	383		S1
CJPS	1632	An Act to Require Proper Storage of Forensic Exam Evidence	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/8/23	Enacted	PL	236		S1
CJPS	1633	An Act to Establish a Community-based Reentry Program in All Department of Corrections Facilities	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	1657	An Act to Define "Consent" and Amend the Law Governing Certain Sexual Offenses	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/9/23	Enacted	PL	280		S1
CJPS	1701	Resolve, to Reestablish and Continue the Work of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State	Reported Out	OTP-AM		5/24/23	Emergency Finally Passed	RESLV	99		S1
CJPS	1715	An Act to Replace Certain Stigmatizing Language in the Maine Revised Statutes, Titles 22, 25 and 34-A with Respectful Language	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP		6/8/23	Died Between Houses				S1
CJPS	1742	An Act to Enhance the Use of Critical Incident Stress Management Teams and to Require Peer Team Support	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	1779	An Act to Develop a Continuum of Care for Youth Involved in the Justice System and to Develop Alternatives for Juveniles Incarcerated in Long Creek Youth Development Center	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1

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CJPS	1789	An Act to Remove All Marijuana-related Provisions from the Maine Criminal Code and Expunge All Convictions Involving Marijuana	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	1796	An Act to Protect Maine's Transit Employees	Reported Out	OTP- AM/OTP- AM		6/13/23	Enacted	PL	476		S1
CJPS	1802	An Act to Include Certain Volunteer Firefighters in the Tax Credit for Employers of Individuals Who Are Volunteer Firefighters or Volunteer Municipal Emergency Medical Services Persons	Reported Out	OTP-AM		6/20/23	Enacted	PL	478		S1
CJPS	1859	An Act to Reimburse Training Costs for Emergency Medical and Public Safety Dispatchers	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP		6/8/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	1863	An Act to Facilitate the Provision of Medically Appropriate Levels of Care for Clients of Correctional Facilities	Reported Out	OTP- AM/ONTP	Carried On Approps Table	6/20/23					S1
CJPS	1875	Resolve, to Create a Pilot Program for Apprenticeships for Inmates	Reported Out	ONTP/OTP- AM		6/5/23	Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report				S1
CJPS	1878	Resolve, to Create the Council to Transition Long Creek Youth Development Center	Reported Out	ONTP		5/23/23	Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1
CJPS	1903	Resolve, to Create an Advisory Council to Oversee the Review and Revision of the Maine Criminal Code and Other Statutes Establishing Criminal Offenses	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1
CJPS	1949	An Act to Establish an Affirmative Defense to the Crime of Criminal Trespass and Aggravated Criminal Trespass That the Person Was Unhoused and Seeking Shelter	Reported Out	LTW		5/23/23	Leave to Withdraw Pursuant to Joint Rule 310				S1

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CJPS	1978	An Act to Enact the Reentry Success and Earned Time Act	Carry Over Approved		Carried in Comm	7/25/23					S1

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LD 4 An Act to Update Provisions of the Department of Corrections Laws Regarding Operation and Administration of Jails, Women's Services and Juvenile Detention

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 135 amends laws involving the Department of Corrections and the payment of restitution in the following ways.

1. It repeals provisions of law relating to the county and municipal detention facility advisory committee and transfers the function of advising the Commissioner of Corrections with respect to jail standards to the County Corrections Professional Standards Council.
2. It provides that lottery winnings are offset against victim restitution owed pursuant to the requirements in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, chapter 69.
3. It allows the Commissioner of Corrections to appoint a director of women's services to act as the chief administrative officer of any adult correctional facility female housing unit.
4. It changes the title given to the chief administrative officer of the Mountain View Correctional Facility and the chief administrative officer of the Downeast Correctional Facility from "Superintendent" to "Warden," which is the name of the chief administrative officers of the other adult correctional facilities with medium or higher security housing units.
5. It repeals provisions of law that refer to the Mountain View Correctional Facility as a juvenile facility.
6. It repeals provisions of law concerning the accreditation of correctional and detention facilities, instead requiring the Department of Corrections to operate correctional and detention facilities according to best practices and to have those facilities reviewed by a nationally recognized accrediting body.

LD 22 An Act to Impede the Transfer of Firearms to Prohibited Persons

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 305 establishes a new crime of prohibited sale or transfer of a firearm to a prohibited person. This law makes it a Class D crime to knowingly or intentionally sell or transfer a firearm, other than an "antique firearm," to a person who is prohibited from owning, possessing or having under their control a firearm pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 15, section 393.

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LD 39 An Act to Amend the Maine Juvenile Code

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 136 makes the following changes to the Maine Juvenile Code.

1. It changes the definition of juvenile in the Maine Juvenile Code to mean “a person who had not attained 18 years of age at the time the person allegedly committed a juvenile crime.”
2. It requires a juvenile court to provide notice of a detention hearing to the juvenile’s parent or parents, guardian or legal custodian if the juvenile is not emancipated, and allows the court to conduct a detention hearing in the absence of the juvenile’s parent or parents, guardian or legal custodian if the court is unable to provide them notice or if they fail to appear after receiving notice.
3. It changes provisions of law concerning how to calculate the period of time when a juvenile is ordered to serve a 30-day or less period of confinement in a juvenile facility, counting the day the juvenile is received into the facility as the first full day of the period of confinement, regardless of when the juvenile arrived at the facility, and allowing a juvenile to be released at any time on the last day of the period of confinement.
4. It corrects a cross reference with respect to juvenile probation conditions.
5. It adds cross-references with respect to the payment and collection of juvenile restitution.
6. It requires a juvenile court to provide a copy of the report of the State Forensic Service examiner to the Department of Health and Human Services if the department will be involved with the juvenile following a competency hearing.
7. It requires that a juvenile who is a runaway, absconder, escapee or accused offender from another state be referred by a law enforcement officer to a juvenile community corrections officer for processing according to the provisions of the Interstate Compact for Juveniles.

LD 42 An Act Regarding Training for Corrections Officers

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 341 provides the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy with the power and duty to approve a separate basic training course and certification standards for juvenile corrections officers, and requires a corrections officer who is certified and an employee of a county or regional jail or state adult correctional facility on the date the board adopts a separate basic training course and certifications standards for juvenile corrections officers to be certified as an adult corrections officer.

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Provisions of the original bill that pertained to the Commissioner of Corrections' role in death benefit determinations were removed from by committee amendment and incorporated into the final enacted version of LD 439. See Criminal Justice and Public Safety, LD 439.

LD 47 An Act to Amend the Law Governing Licensing Actions of the Emergency Medical Services' Board

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 111 removes an outdated reference to the revocation of a license in the laws governing the licensing actions of the Emergency Medical Services' Board.

Public Law 2023, chapter 111 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 1, 2023.

LD 95 An Act Concerning the Membership of the State Emergency Response Commission and Fees for Registering Facilities Required to Report to That Commission

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 62 authorizes a designee of the Director of the Maine Emergency Management Agency within the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management to serve as chair of the State Emergency Response Commission. It also increases the maximum fee for registering a facility that is required by federal law to report to the commission from \$50 to \$100.

LD 96 An Act to Ensure Release of Relevant Background Investigation Material to Current Employers of Law Enforcement and Corrections Officers

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 84 makes the following changes to laws concerning when a law enforcement officer or corrections officer applies for new employment.

1. It requires when a law enforcement officer or corrections officer who is employed by a law enforcement agency, correctional facility or county or regional jail, or who was employed within 90 days prior to making an application for employment, applies for a new position with a law enforcement agency, correctional facility or county or regional jail, the applicant is required to sign a release waiving the applicant's rights to privacy in the exchange of information resulting from a background investigation or polygraph examination conducted for the purposes of an employment application.
2. It adds the results of a background investigation, in addition to those of a polygraph examination, to the requirement that when an examination performed on a law enforcement

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officer or corrections officer applying for new employment indicates probable cause to believe the applicant is or has been involved in criminal activity, those results must be released to the head of the law enforcement agency, correctional facility or county or regional jail that employs the applicant.

3. It provides immunity from civil or criminal liability to the head of law enforcement agency, correctional facility or county or regional jail that conducted a background investigation or polygraph examination, or for whom the investigation or examination was conducted, for sharing the information gathered from the investigation or examination with the head of the law enforcement agency, correctional facility or county or regional jail that employs the applicant.

LD 115 An Act to Protect Minors from Exploitation by Adults for Violation of Privacy

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 227 adds an additional instance of the crime of violation of privacy when the offender violates one of the existing instances of the crime of violation of privacy and the person subject to the violation has not in fact attained 16 years of age. It also requires a person convicted of violation of privacy to register as a Tier 1 sex offender when the violation is done for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of that person or another person and the person subject to the violation has not in fact attained 16 years of age.

LD 155 An Act Regarding Community-based Services for Youth Involved in the Juvenile Justice System

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 425 does the following.

1. It establishes a working group in the Children’s Cabinet consisting of the Department of Corrections and the Department of Health and Human Services to promote coordination in the provision of services to juveniles involved in the juvenile justice system and to examine other states in regard to best practices and organizational structures for juvenile justice services.
2. It requires the Department of Corrections to develop and publish data regarding the number of juveniles involved in the juvenile justice system.
3. It requires the Department of Corrections to submit an annual report in person to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice and public safety matters regarding the diversion of youths out of the juvenile justice system and expanding access to community-based therapeutic services for juveniles.

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4. It requires the Department of Corrections to submit an annual report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice and public safety matters on the status of the identification and development of 2 small, secure, therapeutic residences for youths for the purpose of providing detention and confinement.

LD 207 Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Public Safety to Establish a Stakeholder Group to Examine the Responsibilities, Fees and Duties of the Technical Building Codes and Standards Board

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2023, chapter 29 directs the Commissioner of Public Safety to convene a stakeholder group to examine the responsibilities, fees and duties of the Technical Building Codes and Standards Board. The commissioner is required to invite the participation of several commissioners of relevant departments and agencies or their designees, as well as representatives from several trade associations and others. On or before February 15, 2024, the commissioner must submit a report that includes the findings and recommendations of the stakeholder group, including suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety, which is authorized to submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature on the subject matter of the report.

LD 229 An Act to Compensate Tribal Governments for Basic Training for a Law Enforcement Officer Hired by Another Government Agency

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 242 adds tribal governments and full-time law enforcement officers trained at the Indian police academy at the federal law enforcement training center to the formula and reimbursement rates that provide that whenever a full time law enforcement officer trained at a police academy at the expense of a particular government entity, which is defined to include tribal governments, is subsequently hired by another governmental entity as a full-time law enforcement officer within 5 years after graduation from the police academy, the hiring governmental entity must reimburse the paying governmental entity.

LD 244 Resolve, Directing Maine Emergency Medical Services to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Explore Emergency Medical Services Career Pathways and Educational Opportunities in the State

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2023, chapter 15 directs the Department of Public Safety, Maine Emergency Medical Services to convene a stakeholder group to explore career pathways and educational opportunities for emergency medical services providers in the State. Maine Emergency Medical Services must

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submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety by January 15, 2024 that outlines the activities of the stakeholder group and includes any recommendations or proposed legislation. The committee may report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

LD 405 An Act Regarding False Public Alarms or Reports and Aggravated False Public Alarms or Reports

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 430 establishes the new Class C crime of aggravated false public alarm or report, which occurs when the elements of the existing crime of false public alarm or report are met and the violation causes the evacuation, shutdown or lockdown of a building, school, public square or park, place of assembly or public transportation facility. It also amends the crime of false public alarm or report by adding emergency communications centers, enhanced 9-1-1 services or any other emergency services personnel to the list of organizations and persons to which providing false information may constitute that crime.

LD 428 An Act to Reclassify Certain Offenses Under the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Laws

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 431 makes the following changes to penalties for violating inland fisheries and wildlife laws.

1. It limits the potential penalty for committing the following Class E crimes to only a fine.
 - A. Hunting without a license.
 - B. Most instances of unlawful use or possession of implement or aids.
 - C. Hunting, trapping, molesting or harassing a bear or releasing a dog or dogs for the purpose of hunting bears or training dogs to hunt bear.
 - D. Certain violations made by the holder of a live bait retailer's license.
 - E. Certain violations made by the holder of a baitfish wholesaler's license.
 - F. Certain violations made by the holder of a smelt wholesale dealer's license.
2. It changes the following violations from Class E crimes to civil violations.
 - G. A resident or nonresident under 16 years of age hunting without a junior hunting license.

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- H. Engaging in the practice of falconry without a permit.
- I. Hunting migratory game birds with a shotgun capable of holding more than 3 shells.
- J. Allowing duck decoys to remain in the waters of Merrymeeting Bay in unpermitted times.
- K. Leaving or allowing to remain in the waters of Merrymeeting Bay an artificial cover or “stationary blind” during unpermitted hours.
- L. Failing to follow certain requirements when placing bait to entice, hunt or trap black bears.
- M. Using more than 6 dogs at any one time to hunt bear.
- N. Engaging in the training of dogs on wild birds and wild animals in an unlawful manner.
- O. Holding field trials for beagles and other rabbit hounds during unpermitted times of the year.
- P. Holding field trials for sporting dogs without a license.
- Q. Charging others for the opportunity to hunt mallard ducks, pheasants, quail, Chukar partridge and Hungarian partridge in an area or establishing a commercial shooting area for such purpose without a license.
- R. Charging the opportunity for others to fish in a private pond without a valid private fee pond license.
- S. Failure of the holder of a bait retailer’s license to present a receipted invoice, bill of lading, bill of sale or other satisfactory evidence of the lawful possession of live baitfish or smelts for retail sale upon request.

LD 429 An Act to Reclassify Certain Offenses Under the Motor Vehicle Laws and Increase the Efficiency of the Criminal Justice System

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Effective January 1, 2024, Public Law 2023, chapter 362 updates provisions of the State’s motor vehicle laws as follows.

1. It updates the provision regarding failing or refusing to return every license, registration certificate and registration plate after notice of a license suspension by changing this violation from a Class E crime to a traffic infraction.
2. It updates the provision making it unlawful to remove a vehicle that has been towed, left at a business after being repaired, left on a residential property for more than six months or left at

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a storage facility with unpaid fees or any part or accessory of a vehicle without the written consent of the person in charge or the owner of the premises or property where the vehicle is located by changing this violation from a Class E crime to a traffic infraction.

3. It adds unregistered vehicles and vehicles having improper plates to the list of permissible reasons a vehicle may be removed when illegally parked or when used in the commission of a crime.

LD 439 An Act to Allow Death by Suicide to Be Considered a Death While in the Line of Duty

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 433 requires the applicable authority, when determining whether a law enforcement officer, firefighter, emergency medical services person, Department of Corrections law enforcement officer or corrections officer has died while in the line of duty, to evaluate whether an individual who died by suicide has died as a result of events or actions experienced by the individual while in the line of duty. It also gives the Commissioner of Corrections rather than the Chief of the State Police the authority to make that determination for Department of Corrections law enforcement officers.

Public Law 2023, chapter 433 incorporates several provisions that were originally contained in LD 42 but were added to LD 439 by committee amendment due to their relevance and application to other provisions in that bill. See also Criminal Justice and Public Safety, LD 42.

LD 516 An Act to Reduce Cancer Among Firefighters by Providing Grants for Safety Equipment

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 437 establishes the Firefighter Safety Equipment Fund to allow fire departments to purchase and install diesel vehicle exhaust systems and heavy-duty extractor washing machines, and allows fire departments to apply to the Fire Protection Services Commission for grants from this fund. It also directs the Fire Protection Services Commission to establish criteria award grants to fire departments from the fund and to adopt rules to implement this law and it provides a one-time \$250,000 appropriation to support grants from the fund.

LD 526 An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Emergency Medical Services Stabilization and Sustainability Program

Public Law 2023, chapter 438 amends the definition of “emergency medical services entity” in the Emergency Medical Services Stabilization and Sustainability Program laws to include all

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ambulance services, nontransporting emergency medical services, and emergency medical services training centers licensed under the Maine Emergency Medical Services Act of 1982.

Public Law 2023, chapter 438 should be considered in conjunction with the relevant portions of the biennial budget for fiscal years 2023-24 and 2024-25, codified at Public Law 2023, chapter 412, part A, section A-38. LD 526, as amended by Committee Amendment “A,” included a \$31,000,000 appropriation to fund an Emergency Medical Services Stabilization and Sustainability Program, which the amendment also established. The substance of that amendment was incorporated into the biennial budget, Public Law 2023, chapter 412. The final enacted version of LD 526 includes a change to a definition to clarify those provisions enacted in the biennial budget. See also Appropriations and Financial Affairs, LD 258.

LD 588 An Act to Promote Public Safety and Retain Essential First Responders by Funding the Maine Length of Service Award Program

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 439 provides one-time funding in the amount of \$500,000 in fiscal year 2024-25 for the Maine Length of Service Award Program, which provides length of service awards to eligible volunteer firefighters and emergency medical services personnel.

LD 692 An Act Regarding Eligibility of County Jail Inmates for a Community Confinement Monitoring Program

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 250 sets limitations on when a sheriff may assign an inmate in a county jail who is serving a sentence for a crime against a family or household member to participate in the community confinement monitoring program. It requires the jail administrator to determine that the inmate is not reasonably likely to pose a risk to the safety of others in the community. In making the determination, the jail administrator is required to, among other things, review and consider the results of an evidence-based risk assessment and the inmate’s criminal history record. The law also requires, when an inmate is assigned to a community confinement monitoring program, that the county jail to make a good faith attempt to notify the victim of the underlying crime at least 10 days prior to the inmates release on the program, and to do so by mail and by phone or in person.

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LD 756 An Act Limit Changes to the Resource Coordination Agreement Between the Bureau of State Police and the Penobscot County Sheriff's Department and Require Annual Reporting Regarding Resource Coordination Agreements

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 443 prohibits any changes before December 1, 2024 to a resource coordination agreement between the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police and the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office that was in effect on May 1, 2023 unless mutually agreed upon by the parties. Any agreed upon change must be in writing and must be provided to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety, the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation and the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs as soon as practicable after it has been mutually agreed upon.

The law also requires the Bureau of State Police to report annually to the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters, transportation matters and appropriations and financial affairs regarding resource coordination agreements between the bureau and county sheriff's departments, including where those agreements are in place, a summary of the agreements and any changes to those agreements in the prior calendar year.

LD 847 Resolve, to Study Implementation of a Program to Provide Trauma-informed Training for Law Enforcement Officers at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2023, chapter 37 directs the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy to conduct a study and develop recommendations based on findings from the study regarding the implementation at the academy of a program to provide trauma-informed training for law enforcement officers. The board must submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety by February 15, 2024 containing the findings and recommendations of the study, including proposed legislation. The committee may report out legislation relating to the report.

LD 864 An Act to Clarify Provisions of the Maine Good Samaritan Law

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 178 amends the laws governing immunity from arrest, prosecution and revocation and termination proceedings when assistance has been requested for a suspected drug-related overdose to make a change to a cross-reference regarding which crimes qualify for that immunity.

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LD 919 An Act Regarding Licensure in the Field of Emergency Medical Services

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 166 amends the Maine Emergency Medical Services Act of 1982 to provide that the Emergency Medical Services' Board may by rule establish appropriate licensure levels and qualifications for emergency medical services persons, emergency medical dispatchers, emergency medical services educators, emergency medical dispatch centers, emergency medical services training centers, ambulance services and nontransporting emergency medical services.

LD 981 An Act to Require All Emergency Medical Services Persons to Be Trained to Administer and Dispense Naloxone Hydrochloride

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Effective July 1, 2024, Public Law 2023, chapter 92 requires an emergency medical services person to administer and dispense naloxone hydrochloride in compliance with protocols and training.

LD 1014 An Act Regarding Payments to Recipients of Restitution

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 196 amends provisions of law regarding the payment of restitution to victims of crimes in the following ways.

1. It provides that upon a final order of disposition of property in a criminal forfeiture proceeding, prior to the deposit of proceeds from that disposition and any cash seized or forfeited, any outstanding restitution must be removed and must be sent to the office of the attorney for the State who prosecuted the case.
2. It requires that after release or discharge from institutional confinement or at the expiration of a period of probation, an offender who is required to pay restitution must make any outstanding restitution payments to the office of the attorney for the State who prosecuted the case.
3. It requires the Department of Corrections provide an offender, prior to the offender's unconditional release and discharge from institutional confinement or completion of a period of probation, written notice that any outstanding restitution must be paid to the office of the attorney for the State that prosecuted the case.
4. It requires the Department of Corrections to notify the office of the attorney for the State who prosecuted the case of the amount of restitution outstanding at least 30 days prior to an

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offender's unconditional release and discharge from institutional confinement or completion of a period of probation.

5. It requires that if an offender who is required to make restitution payments to the office of the attorney for the State who prosecuted the case instead makes payment to the Department of Corrections or the department otherwise receives money that is owed as restitution by an offender who is no longer in the custody or under the supervision of the department, the department must forward the money to the victim and must inform the office of the attorney for the State who prosecuted the case of that action.
6. It clarifies language, changing references to "monetary compensation" to "restitution".

LD 1036 An Act to Require All Uniformed Patrol Officers to Carry Naloxone Hydrochloride When on Duty

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 153, requires that all law enforcement officers who perform duties as uniformed patrol officers carry naloxone hydrochloride while on duty, obtain medical training in accordance with protocols adopted by the Medical Direction and Practices Board and administer or dispense intranasal naloxone hydrochloride as clinically indicated.

LD 1052 An Act to Expand Good Samaritan Protections for Naloxone Hydrochloride Administration

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 154 amends provisions of law that provide immunity from civil penalty, criminal penalty or professional disciplinary action for providing or administering naloxone hydrochloride to an individual by extending this immunity to apply to all persons and entities.

LD 1103 An Act to Allow Persons Who Lawfully Use or Possess Cannabis to Own or Possess Firearms or Ammunition

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 381 removes the use, possession or transport of cannabis pursuant to the Cannabis Legalization Act or the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Act from serving as a basis by which a person can be prohibited from owning, possessing or having under the person's control a firearm under Maine law.

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LD 1119 An Act to Clarify the Criminal Statutes with Regard to Assaults on Emergency Medical Services Persons

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 455 amends the crime of assault on an emergency medical care provider by specifying that it is a Class C crime if a person causes bodily injury to a person licensed pursuant to the Maine Emergency Medical Services Act of 1982 regardless of the location where the emergency medical care is being provided and by changing the name of the crime to reflect this amendment.

The law also creates the new crime of assault in an emergency room, which a person commits if that person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causes bodily injury to a person employed or contracted by a licensed hospital and the injury occurs in the hospital's designated emergency room.

LD 1280 An Act to Invest in Maine's Fire Service Training Facilities

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 459 provides one-time funding of \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2024-25 to the Fire Protection Services Commission for fire service training facilities.

LD 1311 An Act Regarding the Legal Use or Possession of Cannabis or Marijuana Under Conditions of Bail, Pretrial Release or Probation

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 299 amends laws regarding conditions placed on persons as part of preconviction bail or conditional release by making the excessive use of cannabis or marijuana consistent with existing provisions governing alcohol.

LD 1353 An Act to Require the Technical Building Codes and Standards Board to Adopt the Canadian Standards Association Standard for Residential Mechanical Ventilation Systems as an Alternative Standard Under the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 292 requires the Department of Public Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal, Technical Building Codes and Standards Board to adopt the standard for indoor ventilation set forth in the Canadian Standards Association Standard for Residential Mechanical Ventilation Systems, CAN/CSA-F326-M91, as an alternative path to comply with the ASHRAE

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Standard 62.2 Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Low-Rise Residential Buildings under the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code.

LD 1364 Resolve, to Study Methods of Preventing Opioid Overdose Deaths by Authorizing Harm Reduction Health Centers

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2023, chapter 120 directs the Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and the Future to convene a working group to evaluate options for, identify barriers to and develop findings and recommendations regarding the prevention of opioid overdose deaths by authorizing harm reduction health centers in the State. On or before February 15, 2025, the office is required to submit a report that includes the findings and recommendations of the working group, as well as any proposed legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice and public safety matters. The committee may report out legislation to the 132nd Legislature in 2025 after reviewing the report.

LD 1438 An Act to Require Standard Procedures to Protect Stalking Victims and Access to Certain Criminal Complaints

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 235 does the following.

1. It entitles a person who files a complaint with a Maine criminal justice agency under the Freedom of Access Act to receive one copy of a complaint made by that person, and to do so without being charged a fee.
2. It prohibits a Maine criminal justice agency from charging a fee to provide a copy of intelligence and investigative record information to a crime victim or a victim's agency or attorney.
3. It requires all law enforcement agencies to adopt a written policy establishing a process to ensure that, when a person files multiple, separate complaints regarding the behavior of another person that may indicate a course of conduct constitution stalking, those complaints are reviewed together to determine if the other person has engaged in stalking.

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LD 1484 Resolve, Regarding the Status of Federal Grant Applications or Money Secured for the Funding of a Sexual Assault Kit Tracking Pilot Program

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2023, chapter 70 directs the Department of Public Safety to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety by February 1, 2024 on the status of any federal grant applications or money secured by the department for the purpose of funding a sexual assault kit tracking pilot program, and authorizes the committee to report out a related bill during the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

LD 1625 An Act to Update Criminal Indictment Procedures and Expand the Provision of Counsel to Certain Indigent Defendants

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 485 makes the following changes to provisions of law concerning criminal procedure.

1. It requires the court clerk to, without charge, furnish to any person indicted for a crime a copy of the indictment if it is not sealed.
2. It requires the assignment of competent counsel before arraignment for indigent defendants charged with murder or a Class A, B or C crime, unless waived by the defendant.
3. It requires the assignment of competent defense counsel, unless waived, if the court determines that the accused is indigent and that there is a risk upon conviction that the accused: may be sentenced to a term of imprisonment upon conviction; has a physical, mental or emotional disability preventing the accused from fairly participating in the criminal proceeding without counsel; or is a noncitizen for whom the criminal proceeding poses a risk of adverse immigration consequences.

LD 1626 An Act to Standardize Requirements Between Boards of Visitors for County Jails and Department of Corrections Correctional Facilities

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 383 standardizes and provides greater consistency in the requirements and duties of the boards of visitors of county jails and those of Department of Corrections correctional facilities and adds additional requirements for both jails and correctional facilities as follows.

1. It increases county jail board of visitors members' terms from 1 to 3 years.

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2. It requires at least one board of visitors member for both county jails and correctional facilities to have experience in mental or behavioral health.
3. It requires that at least one member of each board of visitors of a correctional facility have been previously incarcerated in a correctional facility.
4. It prohibits an employee of a sheriff's office from serving on a board of visitors.
5. It provides additional duties for the boards of visitors of county jails regarding inspection of the jail, making recommendations for services for inmates with mental health challenges, reviewing management of the jail and its philosophy and mission and reporting requirements to the Legislature.
6. It establishes additional orientation and training requirements for county jails and correctional facilities.

LD 1632 An Act to Require Proper Storage of Forensic Exam Evidence

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 236 directs law enforcement agencies to collect and transport anonymously collected forensic evidence from strangulation exams. It also increases the required amount of time law enforcement agencies must store sexual assault forensic examination kits from 8 years to 20 years. It also requires law enforcement agencies store forensic examination kits for strangulations for 6 years.

LD 1657 An Act to Define “Consent” and Amend the Law Governing Certain Sexual Offenses

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 280 amends the Maine Criminal Code's provisions concerning sexual assault crimes in the following ways.

1. It defines the term “consent” in the Maine Criminal Code's provisions concerning sexual assault crimes to mean “a word or action by a person that indicates a freely given agreement”.
2. It changes the language “expressly or impliedly acquiesced” and “acquiesced” as used as an element in the crimes of gross sexual assault, unlawful sexual contact and unlawful sexual touching to “consented”.

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LD 1701 Resolve, to Reestablish and Continue the Work of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2023, chapter 99 reestablishes the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State for the purpose of examining and making recommendations on the structure, support and delivery of emergency medical services in the State.

Resolve 2023, chapter 99 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective July 19, 2023.

LD 1796 An Act to Protect Maine’s Transit Employees

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 476 requires that transit districts post signs in conspicuous places in all transit district facilities accessible to the public informing the public of the penalties for assaulting transit employees. It also requires employees of transit districts to receive de-escalation training upon commencement of employment and once annually thereafter.

LD 1802 An Act to Include Certain Volunteer Firefighters in the Tax Credit for Employers of Individuals Who Are Volunteer Firefighters or Volunteer Municipal Emergency Medical Services Persons

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 478 extends a tax credit for employers who employ an individual who is a volunteer firefighter to include “volunteer municipal firefighters,” who are defined as part-time or on-call municipal firefighters who receive up to 20% of the compensation of a full-time municipal firefighter and who may receive injury or death benefits.

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ANALYST NOTES

This section includes additional information relating to certain LDs as noted in a committee digest. This is information staff found useful and may provide useful information to users of this Digest; please note that most LDs do not have a note and lack of a note should not be interpreted as having any significance.

LD 582 An Act to Enhance Certain Penalties for Possession of Firearms by Prohibited Persons

This bill was finally enacted in both the House and the Senate prior to the adjournment sine die of the First Special Session but was not signed by the Governor. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, the final disposition of this bill will be determined during the next legislative session.