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3 **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

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5 **STATE OF MAINE**

6 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

7 **132ND LEGISLATURE**

8 **FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1152, L.D. 1725, "An Act Regarding
10 the Membership of and Requirements for County Jail Boards of Visitors"

11 Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

12 **'An Act to Require Reporting Regarding County Jail Boards of Visitors'**

13 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the
14 following:

15 **'Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §1651, sub-§4, ¶F**, as enacted by PL 2023, c. 383, §1, is
16 amended to read:

17 F. Each board of visitors shall share copies of that board's annual report with ~~the other~~
18 ~~boards of visitors of that sheriff's office~~ each other board of visitors appointed pursuant
19 to this section.

20 **Sec. 2. Board of visitors report.** By December 3, 2025, the sheriff for each county
21 shall submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety
22 regarding the status of board of visitors vacancies for each jail or other county correctional
23 facility under the sheriff's supervision. The report must include, at a minimum, for each jail
24 or other county correctional facility, what actions the sheriff is taking to ensure that the
25 board of visitors of the jail or facility is meeting its statutory membership requirements;
26 what current difficulties the jail or facility is facing in meeting board of visitors membership
27 requirements; how many members are currently appointed to the board of visitors; and
28 whether the board of visitors is inactive and, if so, for how long it has been inactive. The
29 committee may submit legislation based on the report to the Second Regular Session of the
30 132nd Legislature.'

31 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
32 number to read consecutively.

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1152, L.D. 1725

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill and changes the title. The amendment requires that the sheriff for each county must submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety regarding the membership status of the board of visitors of each jail or other county correctional facility under the sheriff's supervision. The committee may submit legislation based on the report to the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature. The bill also makes a technical change regarding the sharing of board of visitors annual reports with other boards of visitors.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT