# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# **LAWS**

### **OF THE**

# **STATE OF MAINE**

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- 2. Information public unless designated as confidential; proprietary information. Information provided to or developed by the corporation and included in a business or marketing plan is considered a public record unless the person to whom the information belongs or pertains requests that it be designated as confidential and the corporation determines that it contains proprietary information, in which case it is not a public record under Title 1, section 402, subsection 3, paragraph A.
- 3. Tax or financial information. Any financial statement or supporting data of a financial statement or tax return of any person is confidential.
- **4.** Credit assessment. Any record obtained by the corporation that contains an assessment of the credit-worthiness, credit rating or financial condition of any person is confidential.

This section does not prohibit the disclosure of information that is otherwise publicly available.

Sec. 7. 5 MRSA §13213 is enacted to read:

#### §13213. Exemption from property tax

In addition to any other basis for exemption from taxation, the corporation is exempt from property taxation imposed pursuant to Title 36, Part 2.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 259 H.P. 259 - L.D. 405

#### An Act to Require Reporting on the Uses of Prisoner Segregation

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

- Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §1660, sub-§5 is enacted to read:
- 5. Information on segregation. The report must include the following information for county jails and regional jails about prisoners who have been segregated and not allowed to leave their cells for a minimum of 22 hours out of a 24-hour period during the prior calendar year:
  - A. The total number of prisoners who were segregated:
  - B. For each instance of segregation, the total amount of time a prisoner was segregated; and
  - C. The reason why the prisoner was segregated.

As used in this subsection, "segregation" means the separation of a prisoner from the general population of a county jail or regional jail for administrative or punitive reasons.

**Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §1660,** as amended by PL 2015, c. 315, §3, is further amended by enacting at the end a new paragraph to read:

After reviewing the report, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters is authorized to submit legislation to address issues raised by the report.

- **Sec. 3. 34-A MRSA §1402, sub-§15** is enacted to read:
- 15. Report on segregated prisoners. On or before January 15, 2026 and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters that includes the following information for each correctional facility about prisoners who have been segregated and not allowed to leave their cells for a minimum of 22 hours out of a 24-hour period during the prior calendar year:
  - A. The total number of prisoners who were segregated;
  - B. For each instance of segregation, the total amount of time a prisoner was segregated; and
  - C. The reason why the prisoner was segregated.

After reviewing the report, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters is authorized to submit legislation to address issues raised by the report.

See title page for effective date.

### CHAPTER 260 H.P. 408 - L.D. 640

An Act Requiring That Certain Fees Charged by the Courts for Court-ordered Payments Be Capped and Paid by the Defendant

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

**Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §556, 3rd ¶,** as amended by PL 1989, c. 501, Pt. P, §5, is further amended to read:

Whenever any of these funds are ordered by the courts to be paid to a person entitled to these funds, all accrued interest shall must be paid to the claimant less a 5% fee based on the total proceeds. Before receiving any funds under this section, the clerk shall inform all prospective parties to the court judgment or decree that a 5% fee will be assessed on all accrued interest as required by this section. The nonprevailing party or parties shall pay the court a fee equal to 5% of all interest accrued, but in no event may the fee exceed \$1,000, unless otherwise ordered by the court. Whenever any of