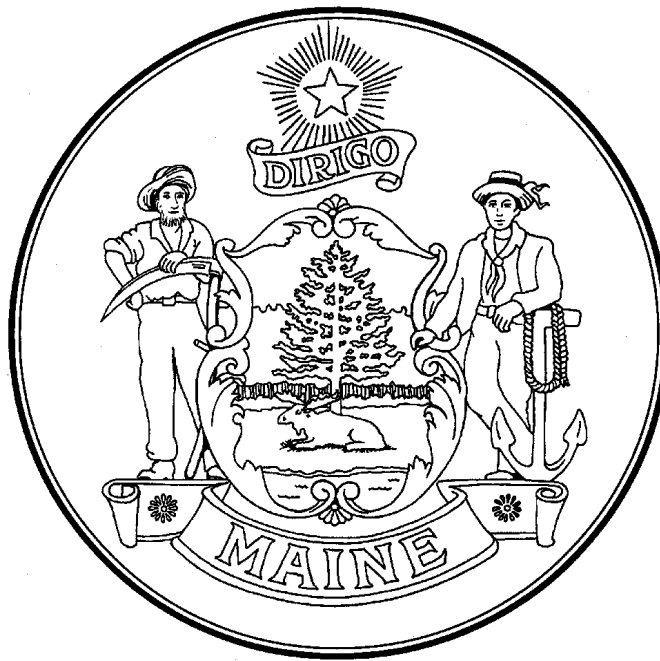


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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION
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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine
2026

D. The vacating of criminal history record information.

2. Recommendations; legislation. The commission may submit to the Legislature, at the start of each regular session, proposed changes to the laws pertaining to criminal history record information that the commission determines appropriate. The commission may also make recommendations to the Department of Public Safety, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, the judicial branch's advisory committee on the Maine Rules of Unified Criminal Procedure and any other organization or committee whose affairs pertain to the use, maintenance or dissemination of criminal history record information.

§904. Consultation; outside funding

1. Consultation. At the commission's discretion, the commission may seek the advice of consultants or experts, including representatives of the executive and judicial branches and representatives of public interest organizations, in fields related to its duties.

2. Outside funding. The commission may seek outside funding contributions to partially or fully fund the costs of the commission, including staffing. All funding is subject to approval by the Legislative Council in accordance with its policies.

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

LEGISLATURE

Legislature 0081

Initiative: Appropriates funds for the costs of Legislators serving on the Criminal Records Review Commission.

GENERAL FUND	2025-26	2026-27
Personal Services	\$440	\$880
All Other	\$960	\$1,920
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$1,400	\$2,800

Sec. 4. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 1, 2026.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 527 **H.P. 224 - L.D. 324**

An Act Regarding Funding for Educational Programs and Opportunities

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §253, sub-§10 is enacted to read:

10. Funding for educational programs and opportunities. The commissioner may raise and expend private funds to support a fund established for specific educational programs and opportunities.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Innovative Teaching and Learning Z394

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for an early literacy grant program as well as for grant programming related to the implementation of best practices for mathematics instruction in schools.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$500	\$500
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	\$500	\$500
FUNDS TOTAL		

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 528

H.P. 352 - L.D. 533

An Act to Allow Residents of the Department of Corrections to Opt In to Additional Restitution for Their Victims

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §3360-I, first ¶, as amended by PL 2023, c. 316, §1 and c. 412, Pt. GG, §1, is further amended to read:

As part of the sentence or fine imposed, the court shall impose an assessment of \$70 on any person convicted of murder, a Class A crime, a Class B crime or a Class C crime and \$40 on any person convicted of a Class D crime or a Class E crime, except that the court shall impose an assessment of \$2,000 on any person convicted of aggravated sex trafficking as described in Title 17-A, section 852, an assessment of \$1,000 on any person convicted of sex trafficking as described in Title 17-A, section 853, an assessment of \$1,000 on any person for the first conviction and \$2,000 for each subsequent conviction of engaging a person for prostitution as described in Title 17-A, section 853-B and an assessment of \$1,000 on any person for the first conviction and \$2,000 for each subsequent conviction of commercial sexual exploitation of a minor or commercial sexual exploitation of a person with a mental disability as described in Title 17-A, section 855. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the court may not waive the imposition of the assessment required by this section. For purposes of collection and collection procedures, this assessment is considered part of the fine.