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of adult drug treatment courts, family treatment courts and veterans treatment courts across the State by ensuring that defendants in each prosecutorial district and county have access to these specialty court dockets. As used in this resolve, "adult drug treatment courts" and "family treatment courts" mean specialty court dockets that serve adult criminal defendants whose involvement with the criminal justice system has been caused, at least in part, by a serious substance use disorder and that allow those defendants, upon successful completion of a program involving multidisciplinary supports, services and requirements, to have all or most of their pending criminal charges dismissed. The Office of Behavioral Health shall invite a multidisciplinary group of stakeholders to participate in the working group, including probation and parole officers from the Department of Corrections, as well as representatives from the Judicial Department; the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management; the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services; the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services; a statewide association of prosecutors; a statewide association of criminal defense attorneys; local law enforcement agencies; organizations that provide pretrial supervision to defendants under pretrial release pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 15, section 1026; and a statewide organization that advocates for reentry services for current and formerly incarcerated individuals in the State. The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Behavioral Health shall submit a report of the working group's activities, including any recommendations for expanding the scope and geographic location of treatment courts and suggested legislation developed by the working group, to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary no later than January 1, 2026. The joint standing committee may report out legislation related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature.

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CHAPTER 99

H.P. 882 - L.D. 1359

Resolve, to Direct the Department of Transportation to Report Progress Made Toward Implementing Recommendations Based on the 2025 Public Transit Advisory Council Report

Sec. 1. Implementation progress; report.
Resolved: That, by December 3, 2025, the Department of Transportation shall submit to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation a report detailing the department's progress on implementing the recommendations from the 2025 Public Transit Advisory Council

report pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 4209-A, subsection 5. The report must include, but is not limited to, a summary of actions taken toward implementing each recommendation to the department from the Public Transit Advisory Council report, including specific dates on which those actions were taken; a list of specific dates on which the department plans to take additional actions toward implementing each recommendation; and a list of recommendations not yet implemented. The Joint Standing Committee on Transportation may report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature based on the report.

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CHAPTER 100

H.P. 636 - L.D. 976

Resolve, to Establish a Working Group to Facilitate Public Access and Resilience Planning for Swan Island

Sec. 1. Swan Island access and resilience working group convened. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, referred to in this resolve as "the department," shall convene a working group to develop a comprehensive plan to enhance public access to Swan Island in Perkins Township in Sagadahoc County. The working group must include, but is not limited to:

1. The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife or the commissioner's designee;
2. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development or the commissioner's designee;
3. The Director of the Office of Policy Innovation and the Future or the director's designee;
4. The Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry or the commissioner's designee;
5. A municipal official from the Town of Richmond responsible for tax increment financing allocations; and
6. A representative from a local nonprofit organization with an interest in outdoor recreation access, conservation or community development related to Swan Island.

Sec. 2. Plan development; working group meetings. Resolved: That the working group convened pursuant to section 1 shall:

1. Identify barriers to public access to Swan Island and strategies for removing those barriers;
2. Evaluate accessible transportation options for the public, including operation and maintenance of a