

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1504 AN ACT CONCERNING PROBATION AND SUS- Trafton PL 1983, c. 268  
PENDED PRISON SENTENCES (new draft LD  
875)

SUMMARY: Permits a court sentencing a criminal offender to provide for suspended and unsuspended portions of the prison sentence. These changes delete provisions in current law that limit the amount of a prison term that may be suspended by the court. With these changes a court may sentence a criminal offender to any suspended portion of a term of imprisonment and any unsuspended portion of a term of imprisonment, as long as the total does not exceed the maximum term authorized for the crime.

1523 AN ACT TO AMEND THE FORECLOSURE Soule PL 1983, c. 447  
LAWS

SUMMARY: Amends certain foreclosure laws to: make it clear that mortgages of any amount may be foreclosed in District Court; conform the foreclosure statute to civil action practice in general; make the method of commencing a foreclosure action clear; address the joinder of certain parties; make it clear that the redemption period begins to run from judgment; address possession and public sale after the redemption period; and address reporting the sale and challenging the accounting.

1526 AN ACT TO MAKE CONFIDENTIAL CERTAIN Benoit PL 1983, c. 281  
DOCUMENTS OF THE MAINE HUMAN RIGHTS (new draft LD  
COMMISSION 647)

SUMMARY: Allows the terms of settlement agreements between parties involved in a complaint before the Human Rights Commission to be confidential unless both parties consent to its release. Permits the Human Rights Commission to delete data identifying 3rd parties, not a party to the complaint, from their records. Other data in the records remains subject to the right-to-know law.