

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
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BILL SUMMARIES  
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<u>LD</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
1872	AN ACT TO PERMIT PUBLIC SERVICE IN LIEU OF FINES FOR INDIGENT OFFENDERS UNDER THE DRUNK DRIVING LAW	Gauvreau	HSE-UNABLE TO AGREE SEN-ACCEPTED CON- FERENCE REPORT

SUMMARY: This bill, as amended by the Committee, sought to give judges discretion to order the satisfaction of a fine by public service work in all cases involving a conviction for the crime of drunk driving or an adjudication of having committed the traffic infraction of drunk driving.

1874	AN ACT CONCERNING INTER-VIEWS OF ACCUSED PERSONS BY BAIL COMMISSIONERS OR JUDGES	Foster	LV/WD
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SUMMARY: This bill sought to remove the requirement that bail commissioners or judges interview an accused prior to making a determination as to release on personal recognizance or bond. It would have permitted them to use other information on which to base their determination where an interview is not practical or advisable.

1875	AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROBATE CODE TO PROVIDE FOR TEMPORARY GUARDIANSHIPS UNDER CERTAIN EMERGENCY CONDITIONS	Carroll, D	PL 1983, c. 620
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SUMMARY: The Probate Code permits a probate judge to appoint a temporary guardian for an incapacitated person in an emergency situation when the person has no guardian. This bill permits a petition for temporary guardianship to be brought before any probate judge if the probate judge of the county in which venue properly lies is unavailable.