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## **JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

extending, enlarging and consolidating new and existing facilities and projects relating to the judicial branch to include such facilities in Penobscot County.

### **LD 779 An Act to Fund the Aroostook County Drug Treatment Court**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 463 provides funds in fiscal year 2026-2027 related to the creation of a drug treatment court in Aroostook County.

### **LD 809 An Act to Allow a Motion to Extend a Protection from Abuse Order After Expiration of the Original Order**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 157 authorizes a court to reinstate an expired final protection from abuse order pending a hearing on the plaintiff's motion to extend the expired order if the court finds that the plaintiff has shown good cause for filing the motion to extend after expiration of the protection order and if the motion was filed within a reasonable amount of time based on the underlying circumstances.

### **LD 922 An Act to Amend the Procedure for Filing a Petition to Terminate Parental Rights and Responsibilities**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 20 amends the law authorizing a parent to file a petition to terminate another parent's parental rights and responsibilities by removing the requirement that the petition be filed in the same case as any prior adjudication of parental rights and responsibilities.

### **LD 950 An Act to Increase Access to Protection from Abuse Orders by Allowing Children to File Protection from Abuse Orders on Their Own Behalf**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 158 authorizes a child to file a complaint for a protection from abuse order on the child's own behalf.