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## **JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

### **LD 1471 An Act to Require Energy Efficiency Disclosure Statements for Certain Rental Housing in the State**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 411 allows a tenant, beginning January 1, 2030, to terminate the tenant's lease if the landlord fails to provide a signed energy efficiency disclosure statement required to be provided by landlords by law. A landlord may not retain any fee, in addition to a security deposit or a portion of a security deposit, for a lease or tenancy at will terminated as a result of a failure to provide a signed energy efficiency disclosure statement.

### **LD 1545 An Act to Clarify the Maximum Value That a Small Estate May Be Under the Maine Uniform Probate Code to Permit Collection of Personal Property by Affidavit**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 76 amends the provision of law within the Maine Uniform Probate Code governing collection of personal property by affidavit from estates with values that do not exceed \$40,000 to clarify that the \$40,000 figure must be adjusted for inflation pursuant to the cost-of-living adjustment provision of the Maine Uniform Probate Code. The law also requires each county probate court to annually publish the value of the inflation-adjusted figure on the court's publicly accessible website.

### **LD 1598 An Act to Provide Relocation Assistance to Crime Victims**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 171 provides that a crime victim is eligible to receive compensation from the Victims' Compensation fund for the victim's actual and reasonable relocation expenses, not just security deposits as in current law.

### **LD 1651 An Act to Remove the Term "Alleged" When Referring to Victims of Sexual Assault in the Provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes Pertaining to Forensic Examinations**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 109 removes the term "alleged" when referring to victims of sexual assault in the provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes pertaining to forensic examinations.