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may develop tribal power districts to provide electric power within their respective reservation and trust lands.

Public Law 2025, chapter 303 also extends to the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and the Maliseet Tribal Court certain child support enforcement tools recognized for the Penobscot Nation and the Penobscot Nation Tribal Court.

LD 1944 An Act to Protect Individuals from the Threatened Unauthorized Dissemination of Certain Private Images, Including Artificially Generated Private Images

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 400 expands the crime of unauthorized dissemination of certain private images to provide that a person commits this crime if the person, without the consent of a depicted person and with the intent to harass, torment or threaten the depicted person or another person, intentionally or knowingly disseminates, displays or publishes an image that has been created or modified so that it appears to show the depicted person in a state of nudity or engaged in a sexual act or sexual contact.

Public Law 2025, chapter 400 also expands the definition of "harassment" under the protection from harassment laws and the definition of "abuse" under the protection from abuse laws to allow a person to seek a protection order against another person who threatens to commit the crime of unauthorized dissemination of certain private images if the natural and probable consequence of the threat is to place the person who is depicted or who appears to be depicted in the image in reasonable fear that the crime will be committed.

### LD 1984 An Act to Correct Inconsistencies, Conflicts and Errors in the Laws of Maine

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 390 corrects technical inconsistencies, conflicts and errors in the laws of Maine, including by removing outdated, gender-specific language and outdated terminology.

Public Law 2025, chapter 390 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 20, 2025.