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1. It corrects an oversight regarding the need for prosecutor approval for a probation revocation motion and clarifies the persons who may withdraw probation revocation motions and file motions to transfer hearings on probation revocation motions.
2. It provides that information from a victim obtained by the Department of Corrections for the purpose of evaluating the ability of a person in the custody or under the supervision of the department to participate in a community-based program is privileged from disclosure. It adds a cross-reference in a victims' rights statute to a Department of Corrections confidentiality provision.
3. It provides that the deputy commissioner of the Department of Corrections may exercise the powers of the Commissioner of Corrections when the office of the commissioner is vacant or the commissioner is absent or disabled.

**LD 2223 An Act to Increase Funding for Construction Plan Reviews and Clarify Rule-making Authority for Municipal Reviews of Development**

Public Law 2025, chapter 658 permits the Commissioner of Public Safety to adopt rules regarding registering municipalities that have authority to issue construction permits and requires that a municipality must comply with these rules as a condition of their registration. The law also modifies the permitting requirement for fire sprinkler contractors. Under prior law, a fire sprinkler contractor was required to obtain a permit from the commissioner prior to construction. The law adds the option of obtaining that permit from a registered municipality. The law also increases the fee for new construction, reconstruction, repairs or renovations permits from 1.5/10 of 1% of the cost to construct or reconstruct the portion of the project that is subject to State Fire Marshal review to 1/5 of 1% of that cost. The law also provides funding for four public safety inspector positions within the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

**LD 2232 An Act to Increase County Jail Funding**

Public Law 2025, chapter 721 requires the State Controller to credit \$4,000,000 of investment earnings on the Maine Budget Stabilization Fund to the County Jail Operations Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Corrections for distributions to counties for jail operations costs. The law provides a one-time \$4,000,000 allocation to the County Jail Operations Fund for distribution to counties for jail operations costs in fiscal year 2025-26.

Public Law 2025, chapter 721 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 16, 2026.