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the safety of others in the community, including the results of any validated, evidence-based domestic violence risk assessment that has been completed by law enforcement in accordance with Title 19-A, section 4114, subsection 6, paragraph E as part of the criminal case for which the inmate is incarcerated;

(3) Made a good faith and documented effort to contact the victim of the crime for which the inmate is incarcerated to inform the victim of the inmate's application to participate in a community confinement monitoring program and inquire about any concerns the victim has for the victim's safety or the safety of any member of the victim's household in connection to the inmate's application to participate in a community confinement monitoring program;

(4) Considered any concerns provided pursuant to subparagraph (3) by the victim of the crime for which the inmate is incarcerated;

(5) Provided notice to the district attorney of the county in which the conviction was entered and a local domestic violence resource center; and

(6) Certified that each of the requirements in this subsection has been met. The certification must be on a form recommended by the inspections division of the Department of Corrections and must:

(a) Include details regarding any concerns provided pursuant to subparagraph (3) by the victim of the crime for which the inmate is incarcerated, unless the victim has requested otherwise;

(b) Be signed by the jail administrator; and

(c) Be provided to the sheriff for review prior to the sheriff's approving assignment of the inmate to a community confinement monitoring program.

If a sheriff assigns an inmate serving a sentence for a crime against a family or household member as defined in Title 19-A, section 4102, subsection 6 to a community confinement monitoring program, a representative from the county jail to which the inmate has been sentenced shall make a good faith attempt to notify the victim of that crime of the assignment at least 10 days prior to the inmate's release from the county jail. Notification of the victim under this paragraph must be made both by mail and by phone or in person;

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 251

S.P. 333 - L.D. 774

An Act to Require the Maine State Housing Authority to Report to the Legislature on the Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §4641-N, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 381, §3, is amended to read:

§4641-N. Review

The Maine State Housing Authority shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over ~~taxation housing matters~~ by April 1, 1987, and each 2 years thereafter 1st of each year. The report ~~shall cover the 2 prior fiscal years of the authority and shall~~ must identify the amount of revenues under this chapter that have been credited to the Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund and the manner in which those funds have been used. ~~The committee shall review that report by May 1st of the year in which it is received.~~ The report must provide a full accounting of how funds were spent in the prior fiscal year and a detailed summary of how funds were spent in the prior 10 fiscal years.

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CHAPTER 252

H.P. 535 - L.D. 846

An Act to Require Direct Wine Shippers to Comply with Maine Beverage Container Laws

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1403-A, sub-§15, as amended by PL 2015, c. 166, §5, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §1403-A, sub-§15-A is enacted to read:

15-A. Compliance with beverage container laws. Wine shipped pursuant to this section must comply with Title 38, chapter 33.

Sec. 3. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2025.

Effective July 1, 2025.