

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2024**

eliminated by a modification of a policy, practice or procedure or by the provision of an auxiliary aid or service.

**3. Continued applicability.** This section does not diminish the applicability of other provisions of this chapter to public entities acting as employers, providing public accommodations or education or acting as providers of credit or housing.

**Sec. 11. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE**

**Administration - Attorney General 0310**

Initiative: Establishes one limited-period Assistant Attorney General position in the litigation division through June 14, 2025 and provides funding for related All Other costs.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>
Personal Services	\$89,018	\$122,242
All Other	\$6,519	\$8,692
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$95,537	\$130,934

<b>ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>
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<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$95,537</b>	<b>\$130,934</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$95,537</b>	<b>\$130,934</b>

**CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Administration - Corrections 0141**

Initiative: Establishes one limited-period Correctional Care and Treatment Worker position and provides funding for Assistant Attorney General billing costs and other related costs to investigate claims made to the Maine Human Rights Commission and submit relevant documents, data and records. The position begins January 1, 2024 and ends June 14, 2025.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>
Personal Services	\$47,965	\$100,140
All Other	\$2,035	\$118,424
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$50,000	\$218,564

<b>CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>
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<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>\$218,564</b>
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<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>\$218,564</b>
<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>\$218,564</b>
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$95,537</b>	<b>\$130,934</b>
<b>SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$145,537</b>	<b>\$349,498</b>

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 490**

**H.P. 309 - L.D. 492**

**An Act to Repurpose Vacant Shopping Mall and Retail Space to Mixed-use Housing and Retail**

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

**Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §4364-C, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

**3. Residential units in commercial zones.** As necessary to achieve the statewide and regional housing production goals, a municipality may adopt ordinances to allow the establishment of residential units in high-density areas within buildings located in an area zoned for commercial use, including but not limited to vacant or partially vacant retail property. An ordinance establishing a limit on the number of residential units within a building in a location zoned for commercial use, whether previously adopted or adopted pursuant to this subsection, must be proportional to the space available for residential units. This subsection is not intended to reduce or change health or safety requirements applicable to residential units located in a municipality.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 491**

**S.P. 250 - L.D. 582**

**An Act to Enhance Certain Penalties for Possession of Firearms by Prohibited Persons**

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

**Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §393, sub-§1, ¶A-1,** as amended by PL 2021, c. 608, Pt. B, §§1 to 3, is further amended by amending the first blocked paragraph to read: