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LD 12 An Act To Require Annual Information Reporting by the Maine Information and Analysis Center

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 164 requires the Department of Public Safety, Maine Information and Analysis Center to submit an annual report by April 1st each year, beginning in 2022, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice and public safety matters regarding the performance of the center. The report must include a general narrative about the types of cases, crimes, incidents and reports the center has reviewed and evaluated in a manner that protects personal privacy and the integrity of the work of the center. The report must include both privacy audits performed in the prior year and de-identified information regarding the cases, crimes, incidents and reports on which the center worked during the prior year that were reviewed during the audits.

LD 28 An Act To Update the Silver Alert Program To Include Missing Endangered Persons

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 62 updates the existing Silver Alert Program within the Department of Public Safety to include missing endangered persons. "Missing endangered person" is defined as a person who is believed to be in danger because of the person's age, mental or physical health or intellectual or developmental disability, because of environmental or weather conditions or because the person is missing in dangerous, unexplained, involuntary or suspicious circumstances as determined by a local law enforcement agency.

LD 58 An Act To Improve Information Sharing by Criminal Justice Agencies with Government Agencies Responsible for Investigating Child or Adult Abuse

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 252 expands the authority of criminal justice agencies to share confidential intelligence and investigative record information with government agencies responsible for the investigation of abuse, neglect or exploitation of children or incapacitated or dependent adults in the following circumstances:

1. There must be a request regarding a named person or persons that relates to conduct that is criminal under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, chapters 9, 11, 12, 13, 21, 23, 33, 35, 41, 43 or 45; and
2. The use of the information that is shared is limited to the purpose for which it was obtained or, as necessary, for administrative or ombudsman office oversight of the agency obtaining the information.