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LD 803 An Act Regarding Violation of a Protective Order

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Under current law a person who violates a protective order issued by a Maine court through conduct that is reckless and that creates a substantial risk of death or serious bodily injury to the person named in the protective order or who assaults that person commits a Class C crime. Public Law 2021, chapter 432 extends the prohibited conduct to a violation of an order that is similar to a protective order and that is issued by a court of the United States or of another state, territory, commonwealth or tribe. It also adds a cross-reference to the 3rd exception to violation of a protection from abuse order being a Class D crime.

LD 813 An Act To Create the Crime of Aggravated Sex Trafficking of a Person 14 Years of Age or Younger

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 469 creates the Class A crime of aggravated sex trafficking of a person 14 years of age or younger.

LD 834 An Act To Ensure the Appropriate Allocation of Victim Restitution

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 307 prohibits a deceased victim's restitution from being paid to an offender if the offender is an heir, beneficiary or recipient of funds from the victim's estate. If an offender is an heir, beneficiary or recipient of a victim's estate, the restitution must be distributed to any other heir, beneficiary or recipient of the estate as if the distribution of the estate did not include the offender. If a victim's estate has only the offender as an heir, beneficiary or recipient, the restitution must be paid to the Victims' Compensation Fund or the Victims' Property Compensation Fund, determined by whether the restitution is for underlying injury or property damage.

LD 841 An Act Regarding Deferred Disposition

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 308 applies the availability of deferred disposition to Class B drug offenses.