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Resolve, to Direct the County Corrections Professional Standards Council to **Examine Funding of and Compliance by County and Regional Jails**

- County Corrections Professional Standards Council report. Resolved: That the County Corrections Professional Standards Council, as established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 6-D, referred to in this resolve as "the council," shall review information regarding the share of state funding for the County Jail Operations Fund established in Title 34-A, section 1210-E and county and regional jail compliance with certain statutory requirements or rules. In conducting this review, the council shall:
- 1. Review the status of county and regional jail compliance with audit requirements pursuant to Title 30-A, section 1662, subsection 2 and examine ways to incentivize compliance with these requirements;
- 2. Review the status of county and regional jail reporting to the Department of Corrections for expenses associated with operating county and regional jails pursuant to Title 34-A, section 1208-B, subsection 5 and examine ways to incentivize compliance with these requirements;
 - 3. Review any unfunded mandates related to county and regional jails;
 - 4. Examine improvements to the operations of the council; and
 - 5. Examine future needs for state support for county and regional jail operations.
- Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, no later than January 15, 2026, the council shall submit a report based on the study under section 1, including any recommendations and suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. The committee may submit legislation based on the report to the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature.