

STATE OF MAINE

—
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN

—
S.P. 322 - L.D. 983

**An Act To Increase Efficiency in the Enforcement of Restitution and Bail
Orders**

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

Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §1094, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:

2-A. Violation of unsecured preconviction bail. If the court determines that an offender has violated unsecured preconviction bail and that the violation is not excused, the court shall enter an order of forfeiture of bail, which may not exceed the amount of the unsecured bail previously set. The attorney for the State may take action to collect the amount forfeited using measures authorized for the collection of unpaid restitution under Title 17-A, section 1326-A, including, but not limited to, entering into agreements with the offender for payment over a set period of time not to exceed one year. In order to satisfy an order of forfeiture entered under this subsection, pursuant to Title 36, section 5276-A, the State Tax Assessor may withhold tax refunds owed to an offender.