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An Act To Allow Bail Commissioners To Access Criminal Records

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

Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §1023, sub-§8 is enacted to read:

8. Access to criminal records. A bail commissioner may consider a defendant's criminal history record information under Title 16, chapter 3, subchapter 8 in setting preconviction bail for the defendant under this section. The Chief of the State Police shall make criminal history record information available to a bail commissioner in order to carry out the purposes of this subsection.

SUMMARY

This bill allows a bail commissioner to consider a defendant's criminal history record information in setting preconviction bail for the defendant and requires the Chief of the State Police to make criminal history record information available to a bail commissioner to carry out this purpose.