



— **Maine's Good Samaritan Law** —

**PROTECTS A PERSON WHO:**

- in good faith, seeks medical assistance for a person experiencing a drug-related overdose
- is experiencing an overdose and needs medical assistance
- is “rendering aid” at the scene of an overdose. *“Rendering aid” means performing any action that involves looking after a person who is experiencing a suspected drug-related overdose.*

**PROTECTS THEM FROM:**

- arrest and prosecution for most non-violent crimes, including ALL drug crimes
- revocations of bail, probation, supervised community confinement, community confinement monitoring, deferred disposition, and administrative release for most non-violent crimes, including all drug crimes
- arrest on outstanding warrants for most non-violent crimes, including all drug crimes

**IT DOES NOT PROTECT A PERSON:**

who commits violent crimes, including but not limited to:

**Violent crimes:**

Murder/Manslaughter  
Violation of a protection order  
Domestic violence

**Sex crimes:**

Gross sexual assault  
Unlawful sexual contact  
Sexual abuse of minors

**Crimes against children:**

Abandonment of a child  
Endangering the welfare of a child  
etc.