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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-65)
109TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

AMENDMENT
COMMITTEE/ "A" to H.P. 127, L.D. 136, Bill, "AN ACT

Relating to the Use of Deadly Force and Nondeadly Disabling
Chemicals in Property Offenses."

Amend the bill by striking out all of the title and
inserting in its place the following:

'AN ACT Authorizing the Use of Nondeadly Disabling Chem-
icals for Self-defense and for Property Protection in Certain
Circumstances.'

Further amend the Bill by striking out everything after the
enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'17-A MRSA §1002, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 499,
§1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

3. This section shall not apply to the use of those
disabling chemicals when that use is for the purpose of:

A. Defending a person under section 108;

B. Defending premises under section 104; or

C. Retaking property, preventing that taking or preventing
criminal mischief under section 105;

as authorized for the use of nondeadly force.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment clarifies the language of the original bill.