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ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE								
Legislative Docur	ment	No. 2040						
pursuant to Joint f Referred to t and ordered printe	rintroduction by a majority o Rule 27. he Committee on Judiciary. S	_						
	STATE OF MAINE	Ξ						
N	IN THE YEAR OF OUF INETEEN HUNDRED AND							
AN A	ACT to Eliminate Discrimi Cases of Prostitution							
Be it enacted b	y the People of the State	of Maine as follows:						
Sec. 1. 1	7-A MRSA §851, sub-§1-A	A is enacted to read:						
ing to provide	gages a prostitute" mean , either to the person a 3rd person, pecuniary rse or a sexual act a	whose prostitution						
Sec. 2. 1	7-A MRSA §853-B is enact	ted to read:						
§853-B. Engag	ing a prostitute							
	rson is guilty of engag titute within the meanin							

1		2.	Εı	ngaging	a pro	stit	ute	is	а	Class	E	crim	e,	except
2	that	it	is	subject	only	to	the	p	en	alties	prov	ided	in	section
3	1301													

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill will impose a penalty on clients of prostitutes similar to that imposed upon the prostitute under current law. This will aid law enforcement efforts in the area of prostitution by discouraging some people from seeking the services of prostitutes.

In addition, it will diminish the number of incidents of would-be customers of prostitutes making indecent proposals to citizens who are not prostitutes.

The offense created by this bill is the actual agreement to engage in sexual activities with a prostitute. A mere offer, suggestion or other casual conservation by the customer will not be a violation.

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