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L	(New Draft of H.P. 957, L.D. 1238)
2	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
! 5	ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
5	Legislative Document No. 1659
3	H.P. 1245 Reported by Representative Reeves from the Committee on Judiciary and printed under Joint Rule 2. Original bill presented by Representative Paradis of Old Town. Cosponsored by Representative Joyce of Portland.
	EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
2 3 4	STATE OF MAINE
	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
	AN ACT to Ban Metal-piercing Ammunition.
	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
	17-A MRSA §1056 is enacted to read:
	§1056. Possession of metal-piercing ammunition
	1. A person is guilty of possession of metal-piercing ammunition if, without authority to do so, he knowingly possesses metal-piercing ammunition.
	2. As used in this chapter, "metal-piercing ammunition" means any type of ammunition commonly known as KTW ammunition.
	3. Possession of metal-piercing ammunition is a Class D crime.

4. This section shall not apply to members of the United States Armed Forces, the United States Reserve Forces or the National Guard, or to law enforcement officers or agencies or forensic laboratories, in the course of duty or employment.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This new draft conforms the bill to the Maine Criminal Code format for defining criminal conduct. It makes possession of KTW ammunition a Class D crime. Since mandatory jail sentences already exist for the use of any firearm, the mandatory jail sentence provision has been deleted. KTW ammunition is capable of piercing the body armor commonly used by law enforcement officers throughout the State.

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