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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 696, L.D. 1074, "An Act to Remove the Limit on the Length of Probation That May Be Served for Aggravated Attempted Murder"

Amend the bill by inserting before section 1 the following:

'Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §152-A, sub-§2, as amended by PL 2019, c. 113, Pt. C, §58, is further amended to read:

2. Aggravated attempted murder is a Class A crime except that, notwithstanding section 1604, subsection 1, paragraph A, the sentence for aggravated attempted murder is imprisonment for life or a definite period of imprisonment for any term of years. The existence of an aggravating circumstance serves only as a precondition for the court to consider a life sentence. The court also may impose as part of the sentence a period of probation of any term of years pursuant to section 1804, subsection 4-A.

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §1804, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2019, c. 113, Pt. A, §2, is amended to read:

4. **Exception to limits when person sentenced as repeat sexual assault offender.** The period of probation for a person sentenced as a repeat sexual assault offender pursuant to section 253-A, subsection 1 is may be any term of years.

Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 4-A in the last line (page 1, line 13 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "is" and inserting the following: 'may be'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that the period of probation for a sentence for aggravated attempted murder is a maximum of any term of years, not a mandatory sentence. This amendment also makes other technical changes to make similar language consistent.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT