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**History and Final Disposition**

LD 1857 / SP0618

Original Title: An Act To Prioritize the Prosecution of Child Murder Cases. New Title: An Act To Prioritize the Prosecution of Child Homicide Cases. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Presented by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary. Public Hearing 01/25/22. Minority (OTP-AM) Report Accepted 03/31/22. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) S-459. Final Disposition: Enacted, Unsigned 04/17/22, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 621.

**Original Bill**

[LD 1857 \(130th Legis. 2022\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law**

[LD 1857 / PL 2021, c. 621](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

- Master file available on request—please include citation: cf130-LD-1857.pdf  
[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(01/25/2022\)](#)  
[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(02/01/2022\)](#)
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**New Drafts and Amendments**

[Amendment CA \(S-0459\) \(LD 1857 2022\) \(Passed\)](#)

**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

[HOUSE, January 5, 2022 \(H-1003-1039\)](#)

p. H-1028

[SENATE, January 5, 2022 \(S-1311-1368\)](#)

p. S-1346

[SENATE, March 29, 2022 \(S-1667-1702\)](#)

p. S-1689 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p1691)) (Amendment(s) S-459)

[HOUSE, March 31, 2022 \(H-1257-1285\)](#)

p. H-1264 (Amendment(s) S-459)

[HOUSE, March 31, 2022 \(H-1257-1285\)](#)

p. H-1282 (Amendment(s) S-459)

[SENATE, April 5, 2022 \(S-1731-1784\)](#)

p. S-1777 (Amendment(s) S-459)

**Enacted Law or Resolve**

[PL 2021, c. 621](#)

**News Articles**

Lawmakers want courts to prioritize Maine child murder cases (Penelope Overton) (Portland Press Herald, 3/30/2022, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD18xx/nc130-LD-1857/PPH 220330B.pdf)

Senate OKs bill to prioritize child homicide trials (Associated Press) (Bangor Daily News, 4/2/2022, p. B7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD18xx/nc130-LD-1857/BDN 220402K.pdf)

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