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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
107TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to H. P. 263, L. D. 310, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to the Authority of Bail Commissioners."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the amending clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'§5547. Limitation of authority of bail commissioners

Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of any law or rule, bail commissioners shall not be authorized to admit to bail any person under arrest for a bailable felonious offense, before or after commitment to jail, when such offense is alleged to have been committed while the person charged was on probation or parole from a previous sentence on a felony conviction or where such offense is alleged to have been committed while the person charged was released pending trial on his or her personal recognizance, or on execution of an unsecured bond or secured appearance bond, for the alleged commission of another felony offense. Such person may be admitted to bail only by a Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court or of the Superior Court or by a Judge of the District Court, and only after his or her personal appearance before such justice or judge.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to limit the operation of the bill for those cases where the person under arrest is accused of committing a bailable felonious offense while said person was on probation or parole from a previous sentence or a felony conviction or is on bail pending trial for the ~~alleged commission~~ of a prior felony offense.

Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Judiciary.
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