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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 673 House of Representatives, February 27, 1975

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Immonen of West Paris.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Prohibit the Use of Telephone Recording Answering Devices.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

35 MRSA § 257 is enacted to read:

§ 257. Use of telephone recording answering devices

1. Prohibition and exception. No person, partnership or corporation shall use a recording answering device attached to or used in conjunction with any telephone. This section shall not apply to any properly authorized law enforcement official or agency nor to any corporation providing telephone service under this Title.

2. Penalty. Any person using or operating a telephone recording answering device attached to or used in conjunction with any telephone shall be punished by a fine of $100 or by imprisonment for no more than 3 days, or by both. Each day on which a telephone recording answering device is used in violation of this section shall be a separate offense.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This Act prohibits the use of telephone recording answering devices and establishes penalties for that use.