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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
107TH LEGISLATURE

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1383, L.D. 1698, Bill, "AN ACT to Establish the Death Penalty for any Person who Murders a Police Officer while Committing a Felony."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the title and inserting in place thereof the following: 'AN ACT to Establish the Death Penalty for any Person who Murders a Law Enforcement Officer while Committing a Felony.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of subsections 1 and 2 of that part designated "§2651." and inserting in place thereof the following:

'1. Death by electrocution. Whoever unlawfully kills a law enforcement officer with malice aforethought in the course of committing a felony is guilty of murder and shall be punished by death by electrocution. Law enforcement officers shall include police officers, prison guards, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables and city marshals and their deputies who are killed in the course of performing their official duties.

2. Life imprisonment. Whoever unlawfully kills any other human being with malice aforethought is guilty of murder and shall be punished by imprisonment for life.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to establish the death penalty for any person who murders in the course of committing a felony, a law enforcement officer as that term is defined in the amendment.

Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Judiciary.

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