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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT" To H.P. 1883, L.D. 2061, Bill, "AN ACT Concerning the Identification by Fingerprints of Past Offenders."

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

'15 MRSA §1702-A, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 398, is repealed.'

Statement of Fact

Chapter 398 of the public laws of 1975 provided that persons convicted of crimes for which the penalties were one year or more and persons sentenced to the Men's or Women's Correctional Center were required to imprint their fingerprints on the judgments of conviction. Because the courts in some areas of the State find it difficult to obtain persons to properly oversee this fingerprinting, this new statute may result in unnecessary hardships for parts of the Maine judicial system. This bill repeals that requirement.

Reported by the Committee on Legal Affairs.

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