

STATE OF MAINE SENATE (Filing No. S-183) 108TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A " to H.P. 214, L.D. 224, Bill, "AN ACT to Clarify and Reform the Laws Relating to County Law Enforcement."

Amend the Bill in section 12 by striking out all of subsection 4 of that part designated "<u>§959</u>." and inserting in its place the following:

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'4. Rights of voting and free expression. A sheriff or any deputy shall retain the right to vote as he chooses, to express his opinions on political subjects or candidates and to attend and vote at party caucuses and conventions.'

Further amend the Bill in section 15 by striking out all of subsection 9 of that part designated "<u>§1121.</u>" and inserting in its place the following:

'9. Juvenile services. "Juvenile services" means the personnel, procedures and services provided to deal with delinquents or criminal offenders under 18 years of age. "Delinquent" means a person under 18 years of age who: Is habitually truant; behaves in an incorrigible or indecent and lascivious manner; knowingly and willfully associates with vicious, criminal or grossly immoral people; or repeatedly deserts home without just cause.'

Further amend the Bill in section 15 by striking out all of the last sentence of subsection 13 of that part designated "\$1121." and inserting in its place the following: D. OF.R.

'Patrol may be conducted on foot or in a motor vehicle, aircraft or watercraft.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment clarifies that the political restrictions on deputies does not prevent them from attending and voting at party caucuses and conventions, removes a phrase from the definition of "juvenile services" that is no longer used and clarifies that "patrol" can include patrol of coastal and inland waters.

(Jackson) COUNTY: Cumber

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