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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1303

H. P. 1079

On motion of Mr. Spencer of Standish, referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Tarbell of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Direct Sentencing of Adult and Juvenile Offenders to Halfway Houses and Group Homes.

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

34 MRSA § 528, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 492, § 1, is amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read:

With the consent of the director of a halfway house or group home participating in the Halfway House Program of the Bureau of Corrections, a court may sentence an adult or juvenile to the custody of the Bureau of Corrections or of a county sheriff, as appropriate, for placement in a halfway house or group home.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill expands the range of direct sentencing alternatives available to the courts with respect to adult and juvenile offenders.