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HOUSE AMENDMENT "E" to H.P. 1661, L.D. 1857, Bill, "AN ACT to Prevent the Display of Adult Magazines to Minors."

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'17 MRSA §2906 is enacted to read:

2906. Magazines containing nudity not to be displayed to minors

1. Prohibition. No book, magazine or newspaper containing nudity on the cover and offered for retail sale shall be displayed in a location accessible to minors unless the nudity depicted is covered with an opaque material sufficient to prevent the nudity from being visible.

2. Nudity defined. For purposes of this section, "nudity" means any visual representation by photographic or other means, showing the human male or female genitals, pubic area or buttocks with less than a full opaque covering, or the showing of the adult female breasts with less than a full opaque covering on any portion thereof below the top of the nipple, or the depiction of covered male genitals in a discernably turgid state.

3. Civil violation. Any person violating subsection 1 shall be subject to a forfeiture of not more than \$250.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to remove the portions of the original bill which regulate nudity contained on the inside pages of a book, magazine or newspaper.

The amendment also changes the original bill to require that only adult female breasts be covered rather than all female breasts.

Filed by Mr. Burns of Anson.

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