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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Prevent the Display of Adult Magazines to Minors.

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

17 MRAS § 2906 is enacted to read:

§ 2906. Magazines containing nudity not to be displayed to minors

I. Prohibition.

A. 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.

B. No book, magazine or newspaper containing nudity on one or more pages inside the cover of the book, magazine or newspaper and offered for retail sale shall be displayed in a location accessible to minors unless such material is sealed sufficiently to prevent it from being opened until it has been purchased.

Nudity defined. For purposes of this section, "nudity" means any visual 2. 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 female breasts with less than a full opaque covering or 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.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this new draft is to prevent the display of nudity to minors.