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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 110TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " \mathcal{A} " to H.P. 742, L.D. 880, Bill, "AN ACT to Permit the Publication of the Names of Juveniles in Connection with Arrests and Court Appearances."

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

15 MRSA §3307, sub-§2, as last amended by PL 1979, c. 681, §19, is further amended to read:

2. Certain hearings public.

A. The general public shall not be excluded from any proceeding on a juvenile crime that would constitute murder or a Class A, Class B or Class C crime if the juvenile involved were an adult or from any proceeding on a juvenile crime that would constitute a Class D crime if the juvenile involved were an adult, and it is the 2nd or subsequent Class D crime for that juvenile not arising from the same underlying transaction or from any subsequent dispositional hearings in such cases.

B. The general public shall be excluded from all other juvenile hearings and proceedings, except that a juvenile charged with a juvenile crime that would constitute murder or a Class A, Class B or Class C offense and with a juvenile crime that would constitute a juvenile's first Class D offense or Class E offense or with conduct paragraph described in section 3103, subsection 1, paragraphs/B, C, D or E, arising from the same underlying transaction

may elect to have all charges adjudicated in one hearing,

and, where a juvenile does so elect, the general public shall not be excluded from that hearing.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment replaces the original bill and extends the public hearings in juvenile crime to a 2nd or subsequent Class D.

Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Judiciary. Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.

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