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## FIRST REGULAR SESSION

## ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document NO. 1177 House of Representatives, April 9, 1987 H.P. 876 Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed. EDWIN H. PERT. Clerk Presented by Representative HEPBURN of Skowhegan. Cosponsored by Senator MATTHEWS of Kennebec and Representative ROLDE of York. STATE OF MAINE IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN AN ACT to Amend the Juvenile Code Relating to the Questioning of Juveniles. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine follows: MRSA §3203-A, sub-§§11 and 12 are enacted to read: Interrogation. When a juvenile is arrested, no law enforcement officer or juvenile caseworker may interrogate that juvenile until: A. A legal custodian of the juvenile is notified of the arrest and is present during the interro-

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gation; or

1 2 3	B. A legal custodian of the juvenile is notified of the arrest and gives consent for the interrogation to proceed.
4 5 6 7 8	12. Notice. A law enforcement officer who arrests a juvenile shall inform the juvenile and the legal custodian at the time of notification pursuant to subsection 2, that the juvenile will be tried without a jury.
9	STATEMENT OF FACT
10	The purposes of this bill are:
11 12 13	<ol> <li>To prevent the interrogation of any arrested juvenile until his legal custodian is notified and is either present or consents to the interrogation; and</li> </ol>
14 15 16	<ol> <li>Require that any arrested juvenile and his legal custodian be informed that the juvenile will be tried without a jury.</li> </ol>

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