

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative GURNEY of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representative O'GARA of Westbrook and Representative REED of Falmouth.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE

An Act to Amend Disorderly Conduct Offenses.



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

3 17-A MRSA §501, sub-§1, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 37, §2,
is amended to read:

5 C. Engaging in fighting, ~~after having been ordered by a law~~
7 ~~enforcement officer to cease fighting~~ knowing that that
9 person is not licensed or privileged to do so;

11 STATEMENT OF FACT

13 This bill amends the definition of disorderly conduct to
15 eliminate the need for a law enforcement officer to order the
17 person to stop fighting. This bill bases the crime on the
19 person's knowledge that the person is not licensed or privileged
to intentionally engage in fighting in a public place, thereby
intentionally or recklessly annoying others.