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L.D. 688

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 508, L.D. 688, Bill, "An Act to Increase the Penalty for Theft from a Locked Motor Vehicle"

Amend the bill by striking out all of the title and inserting in its place the following:

'An Act Concerning Burglary of a Motor Vehicle'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'17-A MRSA §405 is enacted to read:

§405. Burglary of a motor vehicle

1. A person is guilty of burglary of a motor vehicle if the actor enters a motor vehicle, knowing that the actor is not licensed or privileged to do so, with the intent to commit a crime therein.

2. Burglary of a motor vehicle is a Class C crime.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment, rather than defining the crime as theft from a motor vehicle, creates the crime of burglary of a motor vehicle. A person commits the crime of burglary of a motor vehicle by illegally entering a motor vehicle with the intent to commit a crime in the motor vehicle. The intended crime can be any crime, but probably the most common crimes will be various theft offenses.

Reported by the Committee on Judiciary
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