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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Ed Pert'.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative GRAHAM of Houlton.

Cosponsored by Representative PARADIS of Frenchville, Representative BELL of Caribou and Representative MAHANY of Easton.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Allow the Consideration of Foreign Convictions in Drug
Cases.**

(AFTER DEADLINE)



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

3 **17-A MRSA §1105, sub-§1, ¶B,** as enacted by PL 1987, c. 535,
5 §3, is amended to read:

7 B. He The person violates section 1103, 1104 or 1106, and,
9 at the time of the offense, he has been convicted of any
11 offense under this chapter punishable by a term of
13 imprisonment of more than one year, or under any law of the
15 United States ~~or~~, of another state or of a foreign nation
relating to scheduled drugs, as defined in this chapter, and
punishable by a term of imprisonment of more than one year.
For purposes of this paragraph, a person shall have been
convicted of an offense on the date the judgment of
conviction was entered by the trial court.

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19 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

21 This bill allows for the more serious treatment of
23 individuals who have been previously convicted of drug crimes in
foreign countries. Thus, an individual with a prior drug
conviction in Canada would be subject to greater penalties should
25 that person cross the State's border and continue to traffic in
or furnish drugs. This bill is one component of the Attorney
27 General's Drug Enforcement legislative package.