

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, December 12, 1989

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 12, 1989. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and 1,600 ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 14.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CAHILL of Sagadahoc.

Cosponsored by Senator GILL of Cumberland, Representative MANNING of Portland and Representative MAYO of Thomaston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act to Increase the Penalty for Desecration of a Cemetery.



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

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3 Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §507-A, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1987, c.
4 326, §2, is amended to read:

6 3. Any person who violates subsection 1 commits a Class D C
7 crime.

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9 Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §507-A, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

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11 4. In addition to any other penalty imposed, the court may
12 order any person who is convicted under this section to make
13 restitution to the municipality or cemetery association that
14 owns, maintains or operates the cemetery or burial ground for the
15 amount of property loss resulting from the commission of the
16 crime. For purposes of this subsection, "property loss" has the
17 same meaning as defined in section 1322, subsection 3, paragraph
18 D.

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22 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

24 This bill increases the class of crime for desecration of
25 cemeteries to Class C. The bill also encourages that restitution
26 be made for such crimes.