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House of Representatives, December 18, 1990

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative MELENDY of Rockland.

#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act to Ensure That Young Adults Are Treated as Adults for Failing to Appear for Hearings Held in Connection with Juvenile Crimes.



	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	15 MRSA §3106 is enacted to read:
4	, and the second of room.
_	§3106. Failure to appear
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	A person charged with a juvenile crime commits a Class E
8	crime if that person:
10	<ol> <li>Fails to appear. Fails to appear in court for a hearing</li> </ol>
	held in connection with the prosecution of that person for the
12	juvenile crime; and
14	2. 18 years of age. Is at least 18 years of age at the
	time the hearing was to be held.
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	A person prosecuted under this section must be prosecuted as
18	an adult.
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2.4	This bill makes failure to appear in court by the defendant
24	in the prosecution of a juvenile crime a Class E crime if the
	defendant has reached 18 years of age at the time the hearing was
26	to be held. A person prosecuted for failure to appear must be
	prosecuted as an adult.