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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26. Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative REED of Falmouth. Cosponsored by Senator TITCOMB of Cumberland and Representative SMALL of Bath.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO

An Act to Protect School Students from Potential Harm.

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

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20-A MRSA §1055, sub-§11 is enacted to read:

11. Protection of students. The superintendent may protect students from potential harm by taking disciplinary action against a school bus driver who has been convicted of a violation of Title 29, section 1312-B; Title 29, former section 1312, subsection 10 or former section 1312-C; or Title 15, section 3103, subsection 1, paragraph F, within the preceding 6-year period. Disciplinary action for such a conviction may include requiring remedial education or counseling, transfer to another job, suspension or termination.

STATEMENT OF FACT

18 Under current law, person with а an operating-under-the-influence conviction can not obtain a permit 20 to operate a school bus. This bill is directed at school bus drivers who are convicted of operating under the influence after receiving their license. It allows a school superintendent to 22 prevent a threat to students by taking disciplinary action 24 against a school bus driver who has been convicted of operating under the influence.