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No. 171

H.P. 123

House of Representatives, January 20, 1995

**An Act to Increase the Penalty for Child Sexual Abuse Committed
within 1,000 Feet of a School.**

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset.
Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BAILEY of Township 27,
BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CAMERON of Rumford, HATCH of Skowhegan, HEINO
of Boothbay, LEMONT of Kittery, LIBBY of Kennebunk, MERES of Norridgewock, RICE
of South Bristol, SAVAGE of Union, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, WATSON of Farmingdale,
WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senators: HARRIMAN of Cumberland, SMALL of Sagadahoc,
STEVENS of Androscoggin.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §256** is enacted to read:

6 **§256. Aggravated sexual abuse of minors**

8 1. A person commits aggravated sexual abuse of a minor if that person violates section 254 and, at the time of the offense, the person is within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a private or public elementary or secondary school.

12 2. Aggravated sexual abuse of a minor is a Class C crime.

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16 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

18 This bill increases the penalty for child sexual abuse
20 committed within 1,000 feet of a school by making it aggravated
sexual abuse of a minor and a Class C crime.