

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 117th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## SECOND REGULAR SESSION-1995

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Legislative Document

No. 1635

S.P. 628

In Senate, January 2, 1995

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### **An Act to Amend the Law Concerning Tobacco Use by Juveniles.**

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Submitted by the Judicial Department pursuant to Joint Rule 24.  
Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "May M. Ross".

MAY M. ROSS  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MILLS of Somerset.

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

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1556-A, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 1995, c. 470, §9 and affected by §19, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

2. Enforcement; jurisdiction. Enforcement of criminal offenses may be carried out by written summons pursuant to Title 17-A filed in the District Court. Enforcement of civil violations set forth in section 1555, subsection 2 may be carried out by complaint filed in District Court.

**Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §1556-A, sub-§3**, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 470, §9 and affected by §19, is repealed.

**Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §1557, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

3. Injunction. If the person licensed to sell tobacco products has engaged in or is about to engage in any act or practice that violates this chapter, the Administrative Court may grant a permanent or temporary injunction, restraining order or other order as appropriate.

## STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to clarify who has jurisdiction and enforcement powers over particular violations of the tobacco laws.