

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 1933

S.P. 687

In Senate, March 18, 1999

**An Act to Promote Sharing of Information Between Schools and
Criminal Justice Agencies.**

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

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

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §3308, sub-§7, ¶B-2** is enacted to read:

6 B-2. A school may disseminate information regarding a juvenile if:

8 (1) The juvenile has been adjudicated as having committed a juvenile crime;

10 (2) The information is disseminated by and to:

12 (a) Persons who directly supervise or report on the health, behavior or progress of the juvenile;

14 (b) The superintendent of the juvenile's school or the superintendent's designees;

16 (c) Criminal justice agencies; or

18 (d) Agencies that are or might become responsible for the health or welfare of the juvenile as a result of a court order or by agreement with the Department of Corrections or the Department of Human Services; and

20 (3) The information is relevant to and disseminated for the purpose of creating or maintaining an individualized plan for the juvenile's rehabilitation.

22 Any information received under this paragraph is confidential and may not be further disseminated, except as otherwise provided by law.

24 **SUMMARY**

26 **Current law allows a juvenile court to disseminate information about a juvenile offender to a criminal justice agency and the juvenile's school.**

28 **This bill also allows the juvenile's school to disseminate information about the juvenile to the court and a criminal justice agency under certain conditions. The information remains confidential and may not be further disseminated.**