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House of Representatives, March 18, 1999

An Act to Establish the Crime of Assault Against Sports Officials.

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative MacDOUGALL of North Berwick. Cosponsored by Senator MacKINNON of York and Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, DAVIS of Falmouth, GOODWIN of Pembroke, MATTHEWS of Winslow, TREADWELL of Carmel, WHEELER of Eliot.

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

2	Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §207, sub-§§3 and 4 are enacted to read:
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6	3. Notwithstanding subsection 2, an assault against a sports official that occurs within the confines of or immediate
8	vicinity of an athletic facility at which the sports official is acting or was acting in that person's capacity of sports official
10	is a Class C crime punishable by a fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment of not more than 3 years.
12	4. "Sports official" means any person who participates in a
14	sport in the position of coach, referee, judge, timekeeper or other position, including an assistant to any such person.
16	"Sports official" does not include a person participating in the sport as a team member or contestant.
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20	SUMMARY
~	This bill makes assault against a sports official a Class C
22	crime punishable by a fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment of not more than 3 years.