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No. 1087

S.P. 319

In Senate, February 22, 2001

An Act to Create the Crime of Fleeing from a Motor Vehicle Stopped by Police.

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 McALEVEY of York.
Cosponsored by Representative WATERHOUSE of Bridgton and
Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland, Representatives: DUGAY of Cherryfield, DUPREY
of Hampden, MacDOUGALL of North Berwick.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2414, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

4 **7. Fleeing a motor vehicle.** A person commits a Class E
6 crime if that person, after being signaled to stop a motor
8 vehicle on request or signal of a uniformed law enforcement
10 officer, attempts to flee from the motor vehicle with the intent
12 of eluding arrest. This subsection only applies to the driver of
14 the motor vehicle.

SUMMARY

16 This bill creates the crime of fleeing a motor vehicle to
18 prohibit a driver of a motor vehicle signaled to stop by a law
enforcement officer from attempting to elude arrest by leaving
the motor vehicle.