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S.P. 587

In Senate, June 9, 2003

An Act To Prevent the Sale of Water Laced with Nicotine in Maine

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services 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 MARTIN of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor and
Senators: GAGNON of Kennebec, SAWYER of Penobscot, TREAT of Kennebec,
Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, MAKAS of Lewiston, SAVIELLO of Wilton,
THOMPSON of China, TWOMEY of Biddeford.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA c. 262-A, sub-c. 4 is enacted to read:**

6 **SUBCHAPTER 4**

8 **NICOTINE PRODUCTS**

10 **§1560. Sales of nicotine water products**

12 **1. Definitions.** As used in this subchapter, unless the
context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the
following meanings.

14 **A. "Nicotine water"** means bottled water that is laced with
16 nicotine.

18 **2. Prohibition.** A person may not sell, offer for sale or
20 possess nicotine water in this State.

22 **3. Violation; fine.** Any person who violates this section
commits a civil violation for which the following fines may be
24 imposed:

26 **A. For a first violation, \$500;**

28 **B. For a 2nd violation, \$1,000; and**

30 **C. For a 3rd or subsequent violation, \$5,000.**

32 **Each sale or possession in violation of this section constitutes**
a separate violation for purposes of calculating the fine.

34 **SUMMARY**

36 **This bill prohibits the sale or possession of water laced**
38 **with nicotine in this State and establishes a fine of \$500 for a**
first offense, \$1,000 for a 2nd offense and \$5,000 for a 3rd or
subsequent offense.