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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 106, L.D. 344, Bill, "An Act To Authorize the Regulation of Firearms on Public Property"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2013 is enacted to read:

§2013. Firearms on public property

1. Firearms prohibited. A person may not possess or carry a firearm on public property. As used in this section, "public property" means the property of the State or any political subdivision of the State or of any county, municipality or regional or other political or administrative subdivision or quasi-municipal corporation.

2. Exceptions. Notwithstanding subsection 1, the following persons may possess or carry firearms on public property:

A. A law enforcement officer authorized to carry a firearm;

B. A person authorized to carry a firearm on public property by order, ordinance, rule or regulation of the governing body of the public property;

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2 C. A person who possesses a hunting license and who is on  
4 property where hunting is lawfully permitted by order,  
6 ordinance, rule or regulation of the State or any political  
8 subdivision of the State or the governing body of the  
10 county, municipality, district or regional or other  
12 political or administrative subdivision or quasi-municipal  
14 corporation; and

16 D. A person whose firearm is located inside a motor vehicle  
18 if that person is otherwise lawfully entitled to possess  
20 that firearm.

14 **SUMMARY**

16 This amendment replaces the bill and is the minority report  
18 of the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public  
20 Safety. It establishes a basic prohibition against possessing or  
22 carrying firearms on public property. It provides exceptions to  
24 that basic policy for:

- 22 1. A law enforcement officer authorized to carry a firearm;
- 24 2. A person authorized to carry a firearm on public  
26 property by order, ordinance, rule or regulation of the governing  
28 body of the public property;
- 30 3. A person who possesses a hunting license and who is on  
32 property where hunting is lawfully permitted; and
- 4. A person whose firearm is located inside a motor vehicle  
if that person is otherwise lawfully entitled to possess that  
firearm.