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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 490, L.D. 670, Bill, "An Act To Protect Children Using Maine's Athletic Fields and Parks from Drug Dealers"

Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 23 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 6 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "or an area"

Further amend the bill by striking out all of sections 5 and 6 and inserting in their place the following:

'Sec. 5. 30-A MRSA §3253 is enacted to read:

§3253. Safe zones designated by municipality

A municipality may designate an area of the municipality that is frequented by minors as a safe zone under Title 17-A, section 1101, subsection 23. A safe zone designated pursuant to this section must be conspicuously marked by the municipality with an informational sign using wording provided by the Commissioner of Public Safety.

Sec. 6. Safe zone informational signs. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall establish uniform wording to be used on a safe zone informational sign under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 3253 and shall upon a request from a

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2 municipality provide the municipality with a copy of that wording
electronically or by other means. The commissioner is not
4 responsible for providing the safe zone informational sign.' '

6 **SUMMARY**

8 This amendment replaces the committee amendment and makes it
clear that a municipality may, but is not required to, post
10 certain areas that minors frequent as safe zones. A municipality
may do this by posting an informational sign in a conspicuous
12 place. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall establish uniform
wording to be used on the signs and provide the wording to the
14 municipalities. The commissioner is not responsible for providing
the signs.

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18 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**
(See attached)

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22 SPONSORED BY: *Peggy Rotundo*
24 (Senator ROTUNDO) *DR*

26 COUNTY: Androscoggin
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LD 670

LR 1586(04)

An Act To Protect Children Using Maine's Athletic Fields and Parks from Drug Dealers

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor; Sen. Rotundo

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Removal of cost and revenue for signs - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Eliminating the requirement that the Department of Public Safety provide signs for safe zones and that reimbursement come from municipalities will eliminate the General Fund costs and revenue from that activity. As amended, the bill still expands Class A, B and C crimes and continues to have correctional and judicial impacts.