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House of Representatives, February 10, 2005

An Act To Increase Sentences of Imprisonment for Repeat Sex Offenders

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative THOMPSON of China.
Cosponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Kennebec and
Representatives: BARSTOW of Gorham, CAIN of Orono, CLOUGH of Scarborough, FLOOD of Winthrop, GROSE of Woolwich, MILLER of Somerville, SAVIELLO of Wilton, VAUGHAN of Durham.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1252, sub-§4-E** is enacted to read:

6 4-E. Notwithstanding subsections 2 and 4-B, if the State
8 pleads and proves that a crime under section 253 or any other
10 Class A or Class B crime under chapter 11 or under chapter 12 was
12 committed by a person who has 2 or more prior convictions for
14 crimes under section 253, any other Class A or Class B crimes
16 under chapter 11 or under chapter 12 or essentially similar
18 crimes in other jurisdictions, the court shall impose a
20 sentencing alternative involving a term of imprisonment of at
22 least 30 years, of which 20 years may not be suspended.

16 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill requires the court to impose a minimum mandatory
20 sentence of imprisonment of at least 30 years, of which 20 years
22 may not be suspended, for persons convicted of a gross sexual
24 assault or any other Class A or Class B crime under the Maine
Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, chapter 11, Sex Assaults or under
Title 17-A, chapter 12, Sexual Exploitation of Minors, if that
person has 2 prior convictions for any of these crimes or similar
crimes committed in other jurisdictions.