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House of Representatives, March 17, 2009

An Act To Discourage Theft from and Destruction of Vending Machines

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative THIBODEAU of Winterport.
Cosponsored by Representatives: AYOTTE of Caswell, CRAY of Palmyra, GIFFORD of Lincoln, HANLEY of Gardiner, JOY of Crystal, McFADDEN of Dennysville, SAVIELLO of Wilton, THOMAS of Ripley.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §353, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

3 3. A person who violates subsection 1 in a case in which the property is a vending
4 machine as defined in Title 22, section 2491, subsection 14 or the contents of a vending
5 machine shall pay a fine of not less than \$1,000, which may not be suspended and,
6 notwithstanding section 1323, shall pay restitution to the owner of the vending machine.

7 **Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §806, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

8 3. A person who violates subsection 1 in a case in which the property is a vending
9 machine as defined in Title 22, section 2491, subsection 14 or the contents of a vending
10 machine shall pay a fine of not less than \$1,000, which may not be suspended and,
11 notwithstanding section 1323, shall pay restitution to the owner of the vending machine.

12 **SUMMARY**

13 This bill provides a minimum fine of \$1,000 for a person who steals or vandalizes a
14 vending machine or the contents of a vending machine and requires that such a person
15 pay restitution to the owner of the vending machine.