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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 647, L.D. 880, Bill, "An Act To Protect Minors from Questioning by Private Investigators"

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §8113, sub-§7, as amended by PL 2001, c. 298, §5, is further amended to read:

7. Employment of prohibited person. Employment, in connection with a private investigation business, in any capacity, of any person who has been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for one year or more or any former licensee whose license has been revoked; or

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §8113, sub-§8, as repealed and replaced by PL 1985, c. 207, §2, is amended to read:

8. Representations that licensee is sworn peace officer. Representation by the licensee ~~which~~ that suggests, or ~~which~~ that would reasonably cause another person to believe, that ~~he~~ the licensee is a sworn peace officer of this State, any political subdivision of this State, any other state or of the Federal Government; or

Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §8113, sub-§9 is enacted to read:

9. Unpermitted contact with a child. Contact or communication with a child who has not attained 14 years of age regarding a private investigation if that contact or communication includes conduct with the intent to harass, torment, intimidate or threaten a child.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill and amends the provision of law regarding the refusal, suspension and revocation of a private investigator's license to add new grounds that allow the Commissioner of Public Safety to refuse to issue or renew a license and allow the District Court to suspend or revoke the license of a private investigator. The

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1 grounds are that a private investigator contacts or communicates with a child who has not
2 attained 14 years of age regarding a private investigation if that contact or communication
3 by the private investigator includes conduct with the intent to harass, torment, intimidate
4 or threaten a child.