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S.P. 354

In Senate, March 14, 2013

**An Act To Prohibit the Placement of Cameras and Electronic
Surveillance Equipment on Private Property without the Written
Permission of the Landowner**

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator THOMAS of Somerset.
Cosponsored by Representative WILLETTE of Mapleton and
Senators: LANGLEY of Hancock, WHITTEMORE of Somerset, Representatives: CRAFTS of
Lisbon, GIFFORD of Lincoln, TURNER of Burlington.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 33 MRSA c. 43** is enacted to read:

3 **CHAPTER 43**

4 **PLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY**

5 **§2001. Placement of cameras and electronic surveillance equipment on private**
6 **property**

7 **1. Prohibition.** A person may not place a camera or electronic surveillance
8 equipment that records images or data of any kind while unattended outside on the private
9 property of another without the written consent of the landowner.

10 **2. Penalty.** A person who violates subsection 1 commits a civil violation for which
11 a fine of \$100 for every day that a camera or electronic surveillance equipment is in place
12 may be adjudged.

13 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill prohibits a person from placing a camera or electronic surveillance
15 equipment that records images or data of any kind while unattended outside on the private
16 property of another without the written consent of the landowner. A person who violates
17 this provision commits a civil violation for which a fine of \$100 for every day that a
18 camera or electronic surveillance equipment is in place may be adjudged.