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H.P. 48

House of Representatives, January 14, 2015

**Resolve, To Ensure Notification to the Public of the Location in
Maine of Persons Convicted in Foreign Countries of Crimes
Relating to the Sexual Abuse of a Child**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative MAKER of Calais.
Cosponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland and
Representatives: BATTLE of South Portland, HERBIG of Belfast, HOBART of Bowdoinham,
KINNEY of Limington, McELWEE of Caribou, PARRY of Arundel, TUELL of East Machias,
Senator: BURNS of Washington.

1 **Sec. 1. Convene task force. Resolved:** That the Attorney General shall
2 convene a task force to develop a procedure for notifying affected members of the public
3 of the location in this State of a person who was convicted in a foreign country of a crime
4 relating to the sexual abuse of a child that, if committed in this State, would subject a
5 person to inclusion on this State's sex offender registry. The task force must be composed
6 of 3 members of the Maine Sheriffs' Association or their designees, 3 members of the
7 Maine Chiefs of Police Association or their designees and the Attorney General or the
8 Attorney General's designee. The task force may consider information provided by the
9 Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police. The Attorney General shall submit
10 a report of the task force's findings, including any suggested legislation, to the Joint
11 Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety by December 2, 2015. The
12 joint standing committee may report out a bill related to the report of the task force to the
13 Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.

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SUMMARY

15 This resolve directs the Attorney General to convene a task force that includes
16 members of the Maine Sheriffs' Association, members of the Maine Chiefs of Police
17 Association and the Attorney General to develop a procedure for notifying affected
18 members of the public of the location in this State of a person who was convicted in a
19 foreign country of a crime relating to the sexual abuse of a child that, if committed in this
20 State, would subject a person to inclusion on this State's sex offender registry. It provides
21 that the task force may consider information provided by the Department of Public
22 Safety, Bureau of State Police. It directs the Attorney General to submit a report of the
23 task force's findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public
24 Safety by December 2, 2015 and allows the joint standing committee to report out a bill
25 related to the report of the task force to the Second Regular Session of the 127th
26 Legislature.