

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 325

In Senate, March 14, 2017

An Act To Improve School Safety

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DOW of Lincoln.
Cosponsored by Representative SIROCKI of Scarborough and
Senator: DION of Cumberland, Representative: SUTTON of Warren.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §210, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

3 3. In addition to the penalties under chapters 51 and 53, for a person who violates
4 subsection 1, paragraph B, if the building or place of assembly is a public elementary or
5 secondary school, the following penalties apply and may not be suspended:

6 A. If the person has a driver's license under Title 29-A, section 1251, a court-ordered
7 suspension of the license for one year;

8 B. If the person is eligible for but does not have a driver's license under Title 29-A,
9 section 1251, a court-ordered delay of issuance of the license for one year from the
10 date of conviction of the violation; or

11 C. If the person is not eligible for a driver's license under Title 29-A, section 1251, a
12 court-ordered delay of issuance of the license for one year from the date that the
13 person is eligible to obtain a license.

14 A public middle or secondary school shall display a notice of the provisions of this
15 subsection in one or more conspicuous locations in the school.

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This bill provides for a mandatory one-year suspension of a driver's license for a
18 person convicted of terrorizing if the terrorizing causes the evacuation of a public
19 elementary or secondary school. If the person does not have a driver's license, the bill
20 specifies a one-year delay in the issuance of the driver's license from the date of the
21 conviction of the offense or, if the person is not eligible for a driver's license, a one-year
22 delay from the date that the person is eligible for the license. This bill also requires that a
23 notice of the provisions of the law be conspicuously posted in at least one location in
24 every public middle and secondary school.