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In Senate, February 26, 2019

Resolve, To Expunge Criminal and Civil Records Related to Marijuana Activities Legalized by the Voters of Maine

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DILL of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative STANLEY of Medway and

Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, DAVIS of Piscataquis, DIAMOND of Cumberland,

GRATWICK of Penobscot, Representatives: DUNPHY of Old Town, VEROW of Brewer.

Sec. 1. Department of Public Safety to expunge all records relating to eligible marijuana convictions and violations. Resolved: That, by July 1, 2020, the Department of Public Safety shall review all records possessed by any state criminal justice or law enforcement agency, the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police, State Bureau of Identification or the Federal Bureau of Investigation that contain criminal history record information pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 16, section 703, subsection 3 and expunge all records that relate to criminal convictions and civil violations for conduct that is authorized under Title 28-B, chapter 3. For purposes of this section, "expunge" means to permanently delete or to physically destroy or obliterate.

11 SUMMARY

This bill requires the Department of Public Safety to expunge, by July 1, 2020, all records relating to criminal convictions and civil violations for conduct now authorized by the adult use of marijuana provisions in the Maine Revised Statutes.