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An Act to Impede the Transfer of Firearms to Prohibited Persons

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D M Grant", is positioned above the printed name of the Secretary of the Senate.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative SHEEHAN of Biddeford and
Senators: BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, LAWRENCE of York, Representative: DOUDERA of
Camden.

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

Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §394 is enacted to read:

§394. Prohibited sale or transfer of firearms to certain persons

1. Definitions. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

A. "Firearm" has the same meaning as in Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 12-A.

B. "Sell" has the same meaning as in Title 17-A, section 554-A, subsection 1, paragraph C.

C. "Transfer" has the same meaning as in Title 17-A, section 554-A, subsection 1, paragraph A.

2. Sale or transfer prohibited. A person may not knowingly or intentionally sell or transfer a firearm to a person who is prohibited from owning, possessing or having under that person's control a firearm pursuant to section 393 and who does not have a permit issued under section 393.

Violation of this subsection is a Class D crime.

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits the sale or transfer of a firearm to a person who is prohibited from owning a firearm, possessing a firearm or having a firearm under that person's control.