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L D 582

Date 6/14/23

(Filing No S-319)

MINORITY

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to S P 250, L D 582, "An Act to Enhance Certain Penalties for Possession of Firearms by Prohibited Persons"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following

'An Act to Enhance the Penalty for Possession of Firearms by Certain Persons Prohibited from Possessing a Firearm'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following

'Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §393, sub-§1, ¶D, as amended by PL 2021, c 608, Pt B, §5, is further amended by amending the first blocked paragraph to read

Violation of this paragraph is a Class D C crime.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, removes all provisions of the bill except for the provision raising possession of a firearm by a prohibited person from a Class D to a Class C crime when the person is prohibited because the person is subject to a court order that restrains that person from harassing, stalking or threatening an intimate partner or a child of an intimate partner

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 582

LR 439(02)

An Act to Enhance Certain Penalties for Possession of Firearms by Prohibited Persons

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "BLS-319")
Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund
Minor revenue increase - General Fund
Minor revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Establishes a new Class C crime, increases correctional and judicial costs. The bill changes one crime from Class B to Class C. The current average cost of incarcerating one individual for a single year is \$55,203.

The additional workload associated with the minimal number of new felony cases filed in the court system does not require additional funding at this time.

The collection of additional fine revenue associated with increasing the class of crime for the prohibited possession of a firearm by certain persons will increase General Fund and dedicated revenue by minor amounts.