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LD 1572 / SP0620

Original Title: An Act To Ensure Nondiscrimination against Gun Owners in Public Housing. New Title: An Act To Ensure Nondiscrimination against Gun Owners in Certain Federally Subsidized Housing. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Presented by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. Public Hearing 02/24/16. Majority (OTP-AM) Report Accepted 03/30/16. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) S-405. Final Disposition: Enacted, Signed 04/05/16, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 455.

Original Bill

[LD 1572 \(127th Legis. 2016\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Bill and Enacted Law

[LD 1572 / PL 2015, c. 455](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

- (Available on request—please include the following citation: cf127-LD-1572.pdf)

New Drafts and Amendments

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Floor Proceedings and Debate

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Enacted Law or Resolve

[PL 2015, c. 455](#)

Cross References

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News Articles

Bill prevents gun ban for Maine Section 8 tenants (Thistle, Scott) (Sun-Journal (Lewiston), 2/4/2016, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-ld-1572/D1602011.pdf)

We need to protect public housing tenants' right to protect themselves (Cushing, Andre) (Bangor Daily News, 2/18/2016, p. A7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-ld-1572/B1602082.pdf)

Bill highlights conflict between property, gun rights (Betts, Stephen) (Bangor Daily News, 2/23/2016, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-ld-1572/B1602080.pdf)

NRA pushes for Maine bill to block gun restrictions in subsidized housing (Mistler, Steve) (Portland Press Herald, 2/23/2016, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-ld-1572/P1602068.pdf)

Sponsor seeks to clarify bill to prevent public housing gun bans (Cousins, Christopher) (Bangor Daily News, 2/25/2016, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-ld-1572/B1602067.pdf)

Bill sparks debate over Mainers' gun rights versus property owners' rights (Miller, Kevin) (Portland Press Herald, 2/25/2016, p. B2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-ld-1572/P1602070.pdf)

Committee rejects bill to allow guns in Maine subsidized housing (Miller, Kevin) (Portland Press Herald, 3/3/2016, p. B1, B3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-ld-1572/P1603015.pdf)

Bill to allow guns in Section 8 properties hits stalemate (Thistle, Scott) (Sun-Journal (Lewiston), 3/9/2016, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-ld-1572/D1603033.pdf)

Lawmakers are missing a chance to but red tape, help Maine businesses (Bangor Daily News, 3/10/2016, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-ld-1572/B1603042.pdf)

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LePage signs bill to allow firearms in subsidized housing (Bangor Daily News, 4/13/2016, p. A1, A4) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-ld-1572/B1604043.pdf)

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