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History and Final Disposition

LD 449 / SP0151

Original Title: An Act Regarding Imposition of an Automatic Life Sentence in the Case of Domestic Abuse Resulting in Murder. New Title: An Act To Add Domestic Violence Against the Victim as an Aggravating Factor in Sentencing for Murder. Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. Public Hearing 03/01/17. OTP-AM Accepted 05/17/17. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) S-79. Carried Over: 08/02/17. Final Disposition: Enacted, Signed 04/10/18, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 374.

Original Bill

[LD 449 \(128th Legis. 2017\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Bill and Enacted Law

[LD 449 \(1st Regular Session\)](#)

[LD 449 \(Carried over\) / PL 2017, c. 374](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

- (Available on request—please include the following citation: cf128-LD-0449.pdf)

New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(S-79\) \(LD 449 2017\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, February 7, 2017 \(H103-120\)](#)

- p. H-112

[SENATE, February 7, 2017 \(S115-130\)](#)

- p. S-121

[SENATE, May 11, 2017 \(S581-610\)](#)

- p. S-597 (Amendment(s) S-79)

[SENATE, May 16, 2017 \(S611-641\)](#)

- p. S-635 (Amendment(s) S-79)

[HOUSE, May 17, 2017 \(H512-532\)](#)

- p. H-531 (Amendment(s) S-79)

[HOUSE, May 23, 2017 \(H553-584\)](#)

- p. H-572 (Amendment(s) S-79)

[SENATE, May 24, 2017 \(S713-748\)](#)

- p. S-735 (Amendment(s) S-79)

[HOUSE, August 2, 2017 \(H1140-1187\)](#)

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[SENATE, August 2, 2017 \(S1345-1381\)](#)

- p. S-1346

[SENATE, April 9, 2018 \(S1870-1889\)](#)

- p. S-1887 (Amendment(s) S-79)

Enacted Law or Resolve

[PL 2017, c. 374](#)

News Articles

Murder victim's family seeks mandatory life sentence in domestic violence homicides (Judy Harrison) (Bangor Daily News, 3/2/2017, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD04xx/nc128-LD-0449/B1703031.pdf)

Lawmakers endorse proposal for tougher sentences in domestic violence murders (Scott Thistle) (Portland Press Herald, 3/9/2017, p. B4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD04xx/nc128-LD-0449/P1703032.pdf)

Family of murdered St. Francis woman attends signing of law in her name (Jessica Potila) (Aroostook Republican, 7/18/2018, p. 7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD04xx/nc128-LD-0449/Aroostook Republican 180718B.pdf)

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