

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## Chapter 144.

### Prevention of Crime. Private Detectives.

Sections 12-A to 12-C. Possession of Firearms by Felons.

#### Possession of Firearms by Felons.

**Sec. 12-A. Possession of firearms by felons prohibited.**—It shall be unlawful for any person who has been convicted of a felony under the laws of the United States or of the state of Maine, or of any other state, to have in his possession any pistol, revolver or any other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person. Anyone violating any of the provisions of sections 12-A to 12-C, inclusive, shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than 5 years. (1955, c. 310.)

**Sec. 12-B. Definitions.**—The following words and phrases when used in sections 12-A to 12-C, inclusive, are defined as follows:

“Pistol,” “revolver” and “firearm” mean a weapon capable of being concealed upon the person and shall include all firearms having a barrel of less than 12 inches in length. (1955, c. 310.)

**Sec. 12-C. Application.**—The penal provisions of section 12-A shall not apply to any person commissioned as a peace officer, employed as a guard or watchman nor to any person who has not been convicted of a penal offense during the 5-year period next immediately following his discharge or release from prison. (1955, c. 310.)

## Chapter 145.

### General Provisions Relating to Crimes.

#### Attempts to Commit Crime.

**Sec. 4. Attempt with overt act to commit offense.**

Cited in *State v. Michaud*, 150 Me. 479,  
114 A. (2d) 352.

## Chapter 146.

### Magistrates in Criminal Cases.

#### Municipal Courts.

**Sec. 6. Powers in juvenile cases; appeal.**—A municipal court may place children under the age of 17 years under the supervision, care and control of a probation officer or an agent of the department of health and welfare or may order the child to be placed in a suitable family home subject to the supervision of a probation officer or the department of health and welfare or may commit such child to the department of health and welfare or make such other disposition as may seem best for the interests of the child and for the protection of the community including holding such child for the grand jury or commitment of such child to the Pownal state school upon certification of 2 physicians who are graduates of some legally organized medical college and have practiced 3 years in this state, that such child is mentally defective and that his or her mental age is not greater than  $\frac{3}{4}$  of subject's life age nor under 3 years, or to the state