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S.P. 75

In Senate, January 22, 2019

An Act To Prohibit Certain Sex Offenders from Establishing Residence in Certain Multiunit Residential Buildings in which Minors Reside

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

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DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec. Cosponsored by Representative ARATA of New Gloucester and Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, FOLEY of York, Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, CAMPBELL of Orrington, COSTAIN of Plymouth, NADEAU of Winslow, WHITE of Waterville.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §261, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:
3	<b>2-A.</b> A person is guilty of prohibited contact with a minor if that person:
4 5 6 7 8	A. Was convicted on or after June 30, 1992 of an offense under this chapter or chapter 12 against another person who had not in fact attained 14 years of age or was convicted on or after June 30, 1992 in another jurisdiction for conduct substantially similar to that contained in this chapter or chapter 12 against another person who had not in fact attained 14 years of age; and
9 10 11	B. Intentionally or knowingly establishes residence in a dwelling unit of a multiunit residential building in which another dwelling unit that shares the same entryway is occupied by a person under 18 years of age.
12	Violation of this subsection is a Class E crime.
13	SUMMARY
14	This bill prohibits certain convicted sex offenders who were convicted of an offense
15	against a minor under 14 years of age from intentionally or knowingly establishing
16	residence in a dwelling unit of a multiunit residential building in which another dwelling
17	unit that shares the same entryway is occupied by a person under 18 years of age. The
18	bill makes violation of this provision a Class E crime.