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House of Representatives, January 14, 2015

Resolve, To Ensure Notification to the Public of the Location in Maine of Persons Convicted in Foreign Countries of Crimes Relating to the Sexual Abuse of a Child

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

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

Presented by Representative MAKER of Calais.

Cosponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland and

Representatives: BATTLE of South Portland, HERBIG of Belfast, HOBART of Bowdoinham, KINNEY of Limington, McELWEE of Caribou, PARRY of Arundel, TUELL of East Machias, Sonaton BUBNE of Workington

Senator: BURNS of Washington.

**Sec. 1.** Convene task force. Resolved: That the Attorney General shall convene a task force to develop a procedure for notifying affected members of the public of the location in this State of a person who was convicted in a foreign country of a crime relating to the sexual abuse of a child that, if committed in this State, would subject a person to inclusion on this State's sex offender registry. The task force must be composed of 3 members of the Maine Sheriffs' Association or their designees, 3 members of the Maine Chiefs of Police Association or their designees and the Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee. The task force may consider information provided by the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police. The Attorney General shall submit a report of the task force's findings, including any suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety by December 2, 2015. The joint standing committee may report out a bill related to the report of the task force to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.

14 SUMMARY

 This resolve directs the Attorney General to convene a task force that includes members of the Maine Sheriffs' Association, members of the Maine Chiefs of Police Association and the Attorney General to develop a procedure for notifying affected members of the public of the location in this State of a person who was convicted in a foreign country of a crime relating to the sexual abuse of a child that, if committed in this State, would subject a person to inclusion on this State's sex offender registry. It provides that the task force may consider information provided by the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police. It directs the Attorney General to submit a report of the task force's findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety by December 2, 2015 and allows the joint standing committee to report out a bill related to the report of the task force to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.