CHAPTER 316

PUBLIC LAW

BY GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN

H.P. 1305 - L.D. 1834

An Act Regarding Prostitution

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

- **Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §853-A, sub-§1, ¶B,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 476, §29, is further amended to read:
 - B. The person violates paragraph A and, at the time of the offense, the person has one or more prior convictions under this section or for engaging in substantially similar conduct to that contained in this section in another jurisdiction. Section 9-A governs the use of prior convictions when determining a sentence, except that, for the purposes of this paragraph, the date of the prior conviction may not precede the commission of the offense by more than 2 years. Violation of this paragraph is a Class D E crime.

Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA 1902, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. A deferred disposition is a preferred disposition in a prosecution for engaging in prostitution under section 853-A, subsection 1, paragraph B.