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An Act To Expand the Areas Subject to Municipal Residency Restrictions for Sex Offenders

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair. (GOVERNOR'S BILL) Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.

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

- **Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §3014, sub-§2, ¶B,** as amended by PL 2013, c. 161, §1, is further amended to read:
 - B. A municipality may prohibit residence by a sex offender up to a maximum distance of 750 feet surrounding the real property comprising a public or private elementary, middle or secondary school or up to a maximum distance of 750 feet surrounding the real property owned by the municipality or the State, including, but not limited to, real property comprising a municipally owned or state-owned property that is leased to a nonprofit organization for purposes of a park, athletic field or recreational facility that is open to the public where children are the primary users.

11 SUMMARY

Current law allows a municipality to prohibit a sex offender from residing within 750 feet of municipally owned or state-owned property that is leased to a nonprofit organization for use as a park, athletic field or recreational facility open to the public where children are the primary users.

This bill allows a municipality to prohibit a sex offender from residing within 750 feet of any municipally owned or state-owned property, regardless of its use.