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Amend the bill by striking out all of section 15 (page 3, lines 29 to 34 in L.D.)

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 16 and inserting the following:

**‘Sec. 16. 17-A MRSA §1348-A, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

**4. For purposes of a deferred disposition, a person is deemed to have been convicted when the court imposes the sentence.’**

Amend the bill in section 17 in §1348-B in subsection 1-A in the 3rd line (page 5, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "or nolo contendere"

Amend the bill in section 19 in §2803-B in subsection 2 in the last line (page 7, line 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "October 1, 2009" and inserting the following: 'January 1, 2010'

Amend the bill in section 19 in §2803-B in subsection 3 in the 14th line (page 7, line 35 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "April" and inserting the following: 'June'

Amend the bill in section 19 in §2803-B in subsection 3 in the last line (page 8, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "October 1, 2010" and inserting the following: 'January 1, 2011'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

## SUMMARY

This amendment strikes from the bill the eligibility of persons for deferred disposition who plead guilty to Class B crimes or persons who plead nolo contendere to a Class B, C, D or E crime. Deferred disposition will continue to be a sentencing alternative for those persons who plead guilty to Class C, D or E crimes.

The amendment also makes changes to the dates in provisions regarding policy development, adoption and training to allow the Maine Criminal Justice Academy to effectively implement requirements of the bill.