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House of Representatives, March 22, 2021

An Act To Restrict Maine Law Enforcement Participation in Federal Firearm Confiscation or Buy-back Programs without Legislative Approval

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Presented by Representative COREY of Windham.
Cosponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland and
Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, CONNOR of Lewiston, COSTAIN of Plymouth, LANDRY
of Farmington, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MARTIN of Sinclair, O'CONNOR of Berwick,
PICKETT of Dixfield.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2015 is enacted to read:
3	§2015. Participation in federal firearm confiscation or buy-back program
4 5 6	Any use of a law enforcement agency or officer in a federal firearm confiscation or buy-back program requires approval by a majority vote of each House of the Legislature and approval by the Governor.
7 8	Sec. 2. Application. This Act applies to a federal confiscation or buy-back program for a firearm or ammunition magazine legally owned on or before January 1, 2021.
9	SUMMARY
10 11 12 13	This bill requires a majority vote of each House of the Legislature and approval by the Governor for any use of a law enforcement officer or agency in a federal firearm confiscation or buy-back program. This bill applies to any firearm or ammunition magazine legally owned on or before January 1, 2021.