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## An Act To Protect Maine Residents from Stalking by Use of an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle

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

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ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

Presented by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland.

| 1                                | Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:  |
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| 2<br>3                           | <b>Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §210-A, sub-§2, ¶A,</b> as amended by PL 2007, c. 685, §1, is further amended to read:  |
| 4<br>5<br>6<br>7<br>8<br>9<br>10 | A. "Course of conduct" means 2 or more acts, including but not limited to acts in which<br>the actor, by any action, method, device or means, <u>including use of an unmanned aerial</u><br><u>vehicle</u> , directly or indirectly follows, monitors, tracks, observes, surveils, threatens,<br>harasses or communicates to or about a person or interferes with a person's property.<br>"Course of conduct" also includes, but is not limited to, threats implied by conduct and<br>gaining unauthorized access to personal, medical, financial or other identifying or<br>confidential information. |
| 11                               | Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §210-A, sub-§2, ¶F is enacted to read:   |
| 12<br>13                         | <u>F.</u> "Unmanned aerial vehicle" means an aircraft operated without a physical human presence within or on the aircraft.  |
| 14                               | SUMMARY  |
| 15<br>16                         | This bill adds the use of unmanned aerial vehicles, also known as drones, to the laws governing stalking in the Maine Criminal Code.   |