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An Act To Mandate the Reporting of a Planned Act of Terrorism by a Person with Knowledge of That Plan

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

Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §517 is enacted to read:

§ 517. Failure to report planned act of terrorism

- 1.** A person is guilty of failure to report a planned act of terrorism if that person has knowledge of a plan to perform an act of terrorism and that person does not report that planned act of terrorism to an appropriate criminal justice agency.
- 2.** For purposes of this section, "terrorism" means the use of intentionally indiscriminate violence as a means to create terror or fear in order to achieve a political, religious or ideological aim.
- 3.** Failure to report a planned act of terrorism is a Class E crime.

SUMMARY

This bill makes a person's failure to report a planned act of terrorism to an appropriate law enforcement agency when the person has knowledge of the plan to perform an act of terrorism a Class E crime.