**An Act To Provide an Immediate Opportunity To Appeal for a Juvenile Bound Over into Criminal Court**

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

**Sec.** **1. 15 MRSA §3402, sub-§2-A,** as enacted by PL 2015, c. 100, §3, is amended to read:

**2-A.** **Appeal from a bind-over order of the juvenile court.**  A bind-over order of the juvenile court by a party specified in subsection 2 may be reviewed only by the Supreme Judicial Court ~~pursuant to an appeal of a judgment of conviction following bind-over~~ for the decision of the juvenile court to bind over a juvenile.

**SUMMARY**

This bill amends the Maine Juvenile Code to grant a juvenile the opportunity to immediately appeal an adverse bind-over decision into criminal court from the juvenile court.