

## **132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE**

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H.P. 276

House of Representatives, February 4, 2025

An Act to Require the State to Obtain Municipal Approval Before Placing Noncitizens in the Municipality

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

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ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

Presented by Representative SWALLOW of Houlton. Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and Representatives: ARDELL of Monticello, CHAPMAN of Auburn, GREENWOOD of Wales, LANCE of Paris, MORRIS of Turner, QUINT of Hodgdon, SIMMONS of Waldoboro.

| 1                 | Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:   |
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| 2                 | Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §3112 is enacted to read:   |
| 3                 | §3112. Placement of noncitizens by the State  |
| 4<br>5<br>6       | <u><b>1. Noncitizen; defined.</b> As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, "noncitizen" has the same meaning as in Title 22, section 4099-I, subsection 1, paragraph <math>\underline{E}</math>.</u>  |
| 7<br>8<br>9<br>10 | <b><u>2. Placement of noncitizens by the State.</u></b> The State may not place a noncitizen within a municipality without prior authorization from the municipality. A municipality may designate the number of noncitizens the State is allowed to place within that municipality, and the State may not exceed the number of noncitizens designated by the municipality. |
| 11                | SUMMARY   |
| 12<br>13<br>14    | This bill prohibits the State from placing noncitizens within a municipality without the municipality's prior authorization and allows the municipality to limit the number of noncitizens the State places within the municipality.  |