

STATE OF MAINE

—
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN

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H.P. 135 - L.D. 179

An Act To Make Creating a Police Standoff a Class E Crime

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

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

§517. Creating police standoff

1. Creating police standoff. A person is guilty of creating a police standoff if that person:

- A. Is in fact barricaded as a result of the person's own actions;
- B. Is or claims to be armed with a dangerous weapon;
- C. Is instructed by a law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency, either personally, electronically or in writing, to leave the barricaded location; and
- D. Fails in fact to leave the barricaded location within 1/2 hour of receiving the instruction as described in paragraph C from a law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency.

2. Class E crime. Creating a police standoff is a Class E crime.

Sec. 2. 25 MRSA c. 405, as amended, is repealed.