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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN

S.P. 259 - L.D. 729

An Act To Add Acetylfentanyl and Methylfentanyl Derivatives to the List of Schedule W Drugs

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, law enforcement agencies have informed the Legislature that drugs that are harmful to the people of Maine, including acetylfentanyl and methylfentanyl derivatives, have recently been found in the State in increasing quantities and it is in the public interest that the criminal laws prohibiting acetylfentanyl and methylfentanyl derivatives be strengthened without delay; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1102, sub-§1, ¶I, as repealed and replaced by PL 2007, c. 55, §1, is amended to read:

I. Unless listed or described in another schedule, any compound, mixture or preparation containing narcotic drugs, including, but not limited to, the following narcotic drugs or their salts, isomers or salts of isomers: heroin (diacetylmorphine), methadone, methadone hydrochloride, levo-alpha-acetyl-methadol, or LAAM, pethidine, morphine, oxycodone, hydrocodone, hydromorphone, fentanyl, acetylfentanyl and any methylfentanyl derivatives and opium;

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.