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9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "" to H.P. 390, L.D. 545, "An Act To Combat the Sexual Exploitation of Minors in Maine"
11 12	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the emergency clause and inserting the following:
13 14	'Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §855, sub-§1, as repealed and replaced by PL 2005, c. 444, §1, is repealed.
15	Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §855, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:
16 17	1-A. A person is guilty of patronizing prostitution of a minor if the person, in return for another person's prostitution or agreement to engage in prostitution:
18 19 20	A. Gives or agrees to give a pecuniary benefit either to the person whose prostitution is sought or to a 3rd person and the person whose prostitution is sought has not in fact attained 18 years of age;
21 22 23	B. Gives or agrees to give a pecuniary benefit either to the person whose prostitution is sought or to a 3rd person and the person believes the person whose prostitution is sought is under 18 years of age;
24 25	C. Attempts to give or agree to give a pecuniary benefit and the person whose prostitution is sought has not in fact attained 18 years of age; or
26 27	D. Attempts to give or agree to give a pecuniary benefit and the person believes the person whose prostitution is sought is under 18 years of age.
28	Violation of this subsection is a Class B crime.
29 30	Sec. 3. 34-A MRSA §11273, sub-§14, ¶ E , as enacted by PL 2011, c. 663, §3, is amended to read:
31	E. Former Title 17-A, section 855, subsection 1, paragraph A; and
32 33	Sec. 4. 34-A MRSA §11273, sub-§15, ¶ C, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 663, §3, is amended to read:

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1	C. Former Title 17-A, section 855, subsection 1, paragraph B; and
2	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
3	number to read consecutively.
4	SUMMARY
5	This amendment is the majority report of the committee. It replaces the bill and
6	establishes as Class B crimes engaging a prostitute and attempting to engage a prostitute
7	when the person whose prostitution is sought is in fact under 18 years of age or the person
8	believes the person whose prostitution is sought is under 18 years of age.
9	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
10	(See attached)

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