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An Act To Require the Collection of DNA from Persons Who Committed Felonies Prior to 1996 Who Then Reoffend by Committing Offenses for Which They Would Not Otherwise Have To Submit to a DNA Test

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

Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §1574-A is enacted to read:

§ 1574-A. Collection from person convicted prior to January 1, 1996 who reoffends

1. Collection. A person who is convicted of a Class D or E crime for which the person is not otherwise required to submit to having a DNA sample taken shall submit to having a DNA sample taken if that person has a conviction for an offense committed prior to January 1, 1996 that if committed on January 1, 1996 or after would require that the person submit to having a DNA sample taken.

2. Penalty. A person who fails to submit to having a DNA sample taken as required in subsection 1 after receiving notice from the State Bureau of Identification to do so commits a Class E crime. Violation of this section is a strict liability crime as defined in Title 17-A, section 34, subsection 4-A.

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