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An Act To Prevent the Use of Prone and Supine Restraints, Chemical Sprays and Electroshock Devices on Juveniles Held in Department of Corrections Facilities

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

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ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

Presented by Representative LOOKNER of Portland. Cosponsored by Representative: WARREN of Hallowell.

1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 Sec. 1. 34-A MRSA §3032, sub-§2-A is enacted to read: 3 2-A. Prone and supine restraints, chemical sprays and electroshock devices prohibited. Prone and supine restraints, chemical sprays and electroshock devices may 4 not be used on any juvenile detained at or committed to a correctional facility. As used in 5 6 this subsection, "electroshock device" means a device that uses an electric current to temporarily incapacitate a person. 7 8 **SUMMARY** 9 This bill prohibits the use of prone and supine restraints, chemical sprays and 10 electroshock devices on juveniles detained at or committed to a correctional facility that is 11 under the jurisdiction of the Department of Corrections.