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### An Act to Impede the Transfer of Firearms to Prohibited Persons

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

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DAREK M. GRANT  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative SHEEHAN of Biddeford and  
Senators: BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, LAWRENCE of York, Representative: DOUDERA of  
Camden.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §394** is enacted to read:

3 **§394. Prohibited sale or transfer of firearms to certain persons**

4 **1. Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the  
5 following terms have the following meanings.

6 A. "Firearm" has the same meaning as in Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 12-A.

7 B. "Sell" has the same meaning as in Title 17-A, section 554-A, subsection 1,  
8 paragraph C.

9 C. "Transfer" has the same meaning as in Title 17-A, section 554-A, subsection 1,  
10 paragraph A.

11 **2. Sale or transfer prohibited.** A person may not knowingly or intentionally sell or  
12 transfer a firearm to a person who is prohibited from owning, possessing or having under  
13 that person's control a firearm pursuant to section 393 and who does not have a permit  
14 issued under section 393.

15 Violation of this subsection is a Class D crime.

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This bill prohibits the sale or transfer of a firearm to a person who is prohibited from  
18 owning a firearm, possessing a firearm or having a firearm under that person's control.