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An Act To Protect Children from Toxic Chemicals

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Presented by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.
Cosponsored by Senator CARSON of Cumberland and
Representatives: BLUME of York, FARNSWORTH of Portland, FAY of Raymond,
GATTINE of Westbrook, INGWERSEN of Arundel, McDONALD of Stonington,
PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, Senator: CHENETTE of York.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §606, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

3 **3. Unlawful use.** A person may not apply herbicides as defined by Title 22, section
4 1471-C, subsection 13 that are nonselective, including, but not limited to, glyphosate,
5 within 75 feet of:

6 A. School grounds;

7 B. A playground into which the public is invited or allowed; and

8 C. A child care center as defined by Title 22, section 8301-A, subsection 1-A,
9 paragraph A.

10 For purposes of this subsection, "school grounds" means a school building, property on
11 which a school building or facility is located and property that is owned, leased or used
12 by a school for a school-sponsored activity, function, program, instruction or training.

13 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill bans the use of nonselective herbicides, including, but not limited to,
15 glyphosate, within 75 feet of school grounds, public playgrounds and child care centers.