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SENATE BILL ***58-FN***

AN ACT relative to venue in criminal prosecutions of distribution of a controlled drug with death resulting.

SPONSORS: Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. Reardon, Dist 15; Sen. Innis, Dist 7; Sen. Rochefort, Dist 1; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. Murphy, Dist 16; Rep. Moffett, Merr. 4; Rep. Seaworth, Merr. 12; Rep. Wood, Merr. 13; Rep. Aures, Merr. 13

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill broadens criminal venue to allow for prosecution of the crime of distribution of a controlled drug with death resulting in the jurisdiction where either the death occurred or where the manufacturing, selling, or dispensing took place.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 149:1 New Paragraph; Distribution of a Controlled Drug with Death Resulting; Venue. Amend RSA
- 2 318-B:26 by inserting after paragraph IX-a the following new paragraph:
- 3 IX-b. A prosecution for an offense under paragraph IX of this section may be commenced in the
- 4 jurisdiction where either the death occurred or the manufacturing, selling, or dispensing took place.
- 5 149:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: July 01, 2025
Effective Date: July 01, 2025

