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Governor John E. Baldacci

To: Jane Lincoln, Chief of Staff

Cc: Kurt Adams, Chief Counsel

From: J. Christopher Parr, Assistant Counsel Date: 7 October 2003

Re: Executive Order pertaining to Maine contracts for services

Per your request, the two matrices below illustrate (1) the scope of protection against discrimination afforded under current purchasing law, and (2) the manner in which the Executive Order pertaining to Maine contracts for services would augment that scope, including the provision that contractors may not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment based on sexual orientation.

Current scope of protection

	Requires compliance with	Prohibits discrimination	Prohibits
Type of contract	laws regarding	based on race, color,	discrimination based
	discrimination based on	religious creed, sex,	on sexual orientation
	race, national origin,	national origin, ancestry,	
	gender, sexual orientation,	age, or physical or mental	
	or political affiliation	disability	
For purchases of	Actually (by law)		
apparel, footwear, or	 A state of the sta		
textiles			
For purchases of other			
goods			
For services		Actually (by law)	

Scope of protection per EO

	Requires compliance with	Prohibits discrimination	Prohibits
Type of contract	laws regarding	based on race, color,	discrimination based
	discrimination based on	religious creed, sex,	on sexual orientation
	race, national origin,	national origin, ancestry,	
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