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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
105TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B " to S. P. 755, L. D. 2027, RESOLUTION,
Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Pledging Credit of the
State for Guaranteed Loans to Resident Maine Veterans of the Armed
Forces of the United States of America or the Peace Corps.

Amend said Resolution in the Title by striking out before
the period the words "or the Peace Corps"

Further amend said Resolution by striking out in the 16th
line (14th line in L. D.) the underlined words "or the Peace Corps"
and inserting in place thereof the underlined words 'in time of war
or national emergency'

Further amend said Resolution by striking out in the 22nd line
(19th and 20th in the L. D.) the underlined words "or the Peace Corps"

Further amend said Resolution by striking out all of the 3rd
paragraph from the end and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Shall the Constitution be amended as proposed by a resolution
of the Legislature Pledging Credit of the State for Guaranteed Loans
to Resident Maine Veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States
of America?"

Statement of Fact

A grateful nation and a grateful state have seen fit to grant
certain privileges and benefits to those of her citizens who have
answered their country's call to arms. While we heartily commend those
who have served in the Peace Corps, we do not feel that their sacrifice
is of the same type and therefore they should not be eligible for the

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same benefits as veterans. There is no precedent in any legislation anywhere for lumping together people who have served in the Peace Corps with those who have served honorably in the Armed Forces of the United States. Conditions of the 2 types of service are completely different and we cannot recommend such a proposal in this resolution which was originally drafted as legislative document 1990 and was specifically to be a benefit for veterans.

Filed by Mr. Lewin of Augusta.

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