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S. P. 034

Office of the Secretary of the Senate, January 9, 1979

Presented by Senator Perkins of Hancock.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Improve Public Access to Public Labor Negotiations.

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

1 MRSA § 405, sub-§ 6, ¶ D, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 758, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

D. Discussion of labor contracts and proposals and meetings between a public agency and its negotiators. Negotiations between the representatives of a public employer and public employees may be closed to the public, provided both parties agree to conduct negotiations in closed sessions;

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would allow representatives of a public employer to conduct wage and salary negotiations with representatives of its employees in meetings that are open to the public, if the public employer so chooses.