

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-646)  
109TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 289, L.D. 365, Bill, "AN ACT to Exempt Nonprofit Medical Centers from Maine Sales Tax."

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'36 MRSA §1760, ~~←—————→~~ sub-§16, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 559, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

16. Hospitals; nonprofit medical centers; research centers; churches and schools. Sales to incorporated hospitals, incorporated nonprofit nursing homes licensed by the Department of Human Services, incorporated nonprofit home health care agencies certified under the United States Social Security Act of 1965, Title XVIII, <sup>6</sup> as amended, incorporated nonprofit medical centers, institutions incorporated as nonprofit corporations for the sole purpose of conducting medical research or for the purpose of establishing and maintaining laboratories for scientific study and investigation in the field of biology or ecology or operating educational television or radio stations, schools and regularly organized churches or houses of religious worship, excepting sales, storage or use in activities which are mainly commercial enterprises.

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← As used in this subsection:

A. "Medical center" means any facility for the diagnosis and treatment of human beings for sickness, bodily injury or dental repair which has received exemption under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c) (3) as in effect on January 1, 1979; and

B. "Schools" means incorporated nonstock educational institutions, including institutions empowered to confer educational, literacy or academic degrees, which have a regular faculty, curriculum and organized body of pupils or students in attendance throughout the usual school year, which keep and furnish to students and others records required and accepted for entrance to schools of secondary, collegiate or graduate rank, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any individual.

Fiscal Note

amendment  
This / will result in an estimated loss of General Fund revenue of \$16,000 in fiscal year 1979-80 and \$24,000 in fiscal year 1980-81. It will also result in a loss of revenue from the Dedicated Municipal Revenue Sharing Fund of \$668 for fiscal year 1979-80 and \$1,000 for fiscal year 1980-81.

Statement of Fact

This amendment exempts nonprofit medical centers from the state sales tax and clarifies the definition of those medical centers. It also adds a fiscal note, indicating a loss of revenue to the General Fund and, consequently, a loss of revenue to the Dedicated Municipal Revenue Sharing Fund.

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