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S. P. 111

In Senate, January 15, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Business Legislation. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Perkins of Hancock.

Cosponsors: Senator Sewall of Lincoln, Mr. Jackson of Yarmouth and Mr. Gwadosky of Fairfield.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Permit Auctioneers to Conduct Auctions for Charitable Organizations without Posting an Additional Bond under the Charitable Solicitations Act.

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

9 MRSA § 5008, sub-§ 1, last sentence, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 678, § 9, is amended to read:

The registration fee and bond required by this chapter shall be waived for an auctioneer who is licensed by the Department of Business Regulation and who has paid the license fee and provided the bond required by Title 32, section 273 and who has otherwise complied with the requirements of that chapter.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Current law prevents auctioneers from conducting auctions for charitable organizations unless they post the \$10,000 bond required for professional solicitors under the Charitable Solicitations Act. These auctioneers have already posted a \$10,000 bond under the provisions for licensing auctioneers. This bill removes the bond provisions for auctioneers under the Charitable Solicitations Act, and should allow charitable organizations to raise additional money.