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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
118TH LEGISLATURE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B " to S.P. 225, L.D. 794, Bill, "An Act to Ensure Ethical Conduct in the Office of Treasurer of State"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Ensure Ethical Conduct in the Constitutional Offices and the Office of the State Auditor'

Further amend the bill by inserting after the enacting clause and before section 1 the following:

'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §81-B is enacted to read:

§81-B. Prohibited activities

The Secretary of State may not accept gifts or solicit campaign contributions for any person from any person or organization with whom the Secretary of State conducts business as part of the duties of the office. For purposes of this section, the term "gift" has the same meaning as in section 19, subsection 1, paragraph E, except that the exclusion provided in section 19, subsection 1, paragraph E, subparagraph (1) does not apply.'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §204-A is enacted to read:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

2 **§204-A. Prohibited activities**

4 The Attorney General may not accept gifts or solicit
6 campaign contributions for any person from any person or
8 organization with whom the Attorney General conducts business as
10 part of the duties of the office. For purposes of this section,
12 the term "gift" has the same meaning as in section 19, subsection
14 1, paragraph E, except that the exclusion provided in section 19,
16 subsection 1, paragraph E, subparagraph (1) does not apply.

18 Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §245-A is enacted to read:

20 **§245-A. Prohibited activities**

22 The State Auditor may not accept gifts or solicit campaign
24 contributions for any person from any person or organization with
26 whom the State Auditor conducts business as part of the duties of
28 the office. For purposes of this section, the term "gift" has
30 the same meaning as in section 19, subsection 1, paragraph E,
32 except that the exclusion provided in section 19, subsection 1,
34 paragraph E, subparagraph (1) does not apply.'

Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any
nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment, a minority report of the committee, extends
the prohibition against accepting gifts or soliciting campaign
contributions from certain persons to the Secretary of State,
Attorney General and State Auditor.