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118th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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No. 818

S.P. 249

In Senate, February 6, 1997

An Act to Amend the Small Claims Court Laws.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senator BENOIT of Franklin.

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

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Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §7482, first ¶, as amended by PL 1993, c. 401,
4 §3, is further amended to read:

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A "small claim" means a right of action cognizable by a
court if the debt or damage does not exceed ~~\$3,000~~ \$4,500
exclusive of interest and costs. It does not include an action
involving the title to real estate.

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SUMMARY

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This bill increases the maximum dollar amount of debt or
damages that may be heard in small claims court from \$3,000 to
\$4,500.