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1	L.D. 465
2	Date: 5/31/2017 Minority (Filing No. S- 168)
3	VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS
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5	STATE OF MAINE
6	SENATE
7	128TH LEGISLATURE
8	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 160, L.D. 465, Bill, "An Act To Assist Veterans in Their Applications for Service-related Benefits"
11 12	Amend the bill in section 1 in section 501 in the 3rd line from the end (page 1, line 15 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "their" the following: 'initial'
13 14 15	Amend the bill in section 1 in section 501 in the last 2 lines (page 1, lines 16 and 17 in L.D.) by striking out the following: ", veterans' service organizations and other organizations dedicated to serving veterans"
16	SUMMARY
17 18 19 20 21	This amendment provides that the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, Bureau of Maine Veterans' Services is required to represent all veterans in filing their initial claims for service-related benefits to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. The bill applies this requirement to all claims for service-related benefits and includes claims made to other veterans' service organizations.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)



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LD 465

LR 583(02)

An Act To Assist Veterans in Their Applications for Service-related Benefits

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A'' (S-168)
Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management associated with providing representation to veterans on their initial claims to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.