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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
107TH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT " A " to H.P. 840, L.D. 986,  
Bill, "AN ACT Establishing the Civil Rights of  
Hemophiliacs."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the  
Title and inserting in place thereof the following:

'AN ACT to Prevent Discrimination in Post-  
secondary Education.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out  
everything after the amending clause and inserting  
in place thereof the following:

'SUBCHAPTER IX  
RIGHT TO FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION IN POST-  
SECONDARY EDUCATION

§4701. Right to freedom from discrimination in  
post-secondary education

The opportunity for an individual to secure  
post-secondary education without discrimination  
because of race, color, sex, physical handicap,  
religion, ancestry or national origin is  
recognized and declared to be a civil right.

§4702. Unlawful post-secondary education  
discrimination

It shall be unlawful post-secondary education  
discrimination, in violation of this Act for  
any person, partnership, institution or corporation  
with the authority to grant any educational,  
liberary or academic degree, any junior college,  
business or trade school, any vocational and  
technical school or other similar post-secondary  
educational institution to fail or refuse to  
accept for admission or otherwise to discriminate  
against any applicant for admission because of  
race, color, sex, physical handicap, religion,  
ancestry or national origin, or because of any  
such reason to terminate the enrollment of any

student or to discriminate with respect to terms, conditions or privileges of enrollment or any other matter directly or indirectly related to post-secondary education.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment substitutes 2 fairly broad provisions prohibiting certain discrimination in post-secondary education in place of the provisions of the present bill prohibiting discrimination in certain narrow areas against hemophiliacs. As a result of discussions between Legislators, the Human Rights Commission, the Secretary of State and the Department of Education, it has been possible to accomplish most of the aims of the present bill prohibiting discrimination against hemophiliacs by administrative regulation, without the necessity of writing a fairly narrow, specific bill prohibiting discrimination against only one class of persons. The one area where legislation is still needed is in the field of post-secondary education and this amendment proposes that needed legislation.

Filed by Mrs. Kelley of Machias.

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