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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1114, L.D. 1416, Bill, "AN ACT to Extend the Jurisdiction of the Human Rights Commission to Grievances of Ex-offenders."

Amend said Amendment by inserting at the end before the Statement of Fact the following:

'And, in the case of any financial institution, to fail or refuse
to hire or otherwise discriminate against any applicant because
of prior conviction.'

Statement of Fact

Most positions in banks and other financial institutions require bonding. Often, a prior conviction, particularly at the felony level, prevents a bank from securing the necessary bond. In recognition of this problem, this amendment would allow banks and other financial institutions to refuse to hire persons with prior criminal convictions.

Filed by Mr. Lynch of Livermore Falls.

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