

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

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(Filing No. H-1074)

HOUSE AMENDMENT " \oint " to H.P. 1961, L.D. 2148, Bill, "AN ACT to Amend the Procedures of the Maine Labor Relations Board."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of section 18 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 18. 26 MRSA §1029, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 603, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

<u>any university employee</u>, 2. Complaints. The university,/any university employee organization, the academy, any academy employee, any academy employee organization or any bargaining agent which believes that any person, the university, any university employee, any university employee organization, the academy, any academy employee any academy employee organization or any bargaining agent has engaged in or is engaging in any such prohibited practice may file a complaint with the executive director of the board stating the charges in that regard. No such complaint shall be filed with the executive director until the complaining party shall have served a copy thereof upon the party named in the complaint. / Upon receipt of such complaint, the executive director or

his designee shall review the charge to determine whether the facts as alleged may constitute a prohibited act. If it is determined that the facts do not, as a matter of law, constitute a violation, the charge shall be dismissed by the executive director, subject to review by the board. If a HOUSE AMENDMENT to H.P. 1961, L.D. 2148

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formal hearing is deemed necessary by the executive director or by the board, the executive director shall serve upon the parties to the complaint a notice of the prehearing conference and of the hearing for the prehearing conference or the hearing, as appropriate, provided that no hearing shall be held based upon any alleged prohibited practice occurring more than 6 months prior to the filing of the complaint with the executive director. The party complained of shall have the right to file a written answer to the complaint and to appear in person or otherwise and give testimony at the place and time fixed for the hearing. In the discretion of the board, any other person or organization may be allowed to intervene in that proceeding and to present testimony. Nothing in this subsection shall restrict the right of the board to require the executive director or his designee to hold a prehearing conference on any prohibited practice complaint prior to the hearing before the board and taking whatever action, including dismissal, attempting to resolve disagreements between the parties or recommending an order to the board, as he may deem appropriate, subject to review by the board.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the end, before the Statement of Fact, the following:

'Sec. 20. PL 1975, c. 671, §23, is repealed.

Sec. 21. Effective date. Sections 18 and 20 of this Act shall become effective 91 days after adjournment of the Legislature.'

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Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to consolidate the language in this bill with \leftarrow >language in chapter 671 of the public laws of 1975 so as to avoid an inconsistency in the law after the end of this session.

Filed by Mr. Tierney of Durham.

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