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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 166, L.D. 204, Bill, "AN ACT to Define the Term "Meeting" in the Right to Know Law."

Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

'Sec. 3. 1 MRSA §402, sub-§2, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 758, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

C. Any governmental or quasi-governmental body which has final decision-making authority affecting public rights and obligations, including, but not limited to, the authority to levy taxes, allocate or appropriate public funds, promulgate rules and regulations, or enact ordinances.'

Further amend the bill by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

Statement of Fact

This amendment requires open meetings of only those governmental or quasi-governmental bodies which have final decision-making authority on matters which affect public rights and obligations. However, this amendment does not affect the open meeting requirements of the Legislature, state agencies or authorities, the University of Maine or the Maine Maritime Academy.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Legal Affairs.

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