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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 431, L.D. 538, Bill, "AN ACT to Establish More Convenient Hours to Permit Easier Access to Small Claims Court."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §181 is enacted to read:

§181. Hours for small claims

The District Court in each division shall be available for the hearing of small claims under Title 14, chapter 737 either one evening per month from the hours of 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. or on one Saturday per month from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. In each division, the office of the clerk of the District Court shall be available during the same hours to receive notice of any small claim from any person.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the District Court the sum of \$10,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

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DISTRICT COURT

Unallocated?

\$10,000

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are to clarify the wording of the bill and to add an appropriation section to cover the estimated costs of this service.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Judiciary.

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