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STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 547, L.D. 664, Bill, "AN ACT Concerning Solicitation by Law Enforcement Officers."

Amend the bill in that part designated "§3701." by striking out all of subsection 5 and inserting in its place the following:

'5. Solicit. "Solicit" means to request property. The word means and includes, but is not limited to, the following methods of securing property:

A. Any verbal request, including, but not limited to, a request that is made in person or by telephone;

B. Any written request, including, but not limited to, a request that is sent, delivered or distributed by personal means; and

C. The sale of, offer or attempt to sell, any advertising, advertisements, advertising space, book, card, tag, coupon, ticket, device, magazine, membership, subscription or other tangible item or thing of value.

The definition of solicit shall not apply to the offer for sale to the general public admissions to public events sponsored by a law enforcement association,

provided that no promotion of the event and no sale or attempts to sell and no active part in the sale of these admissions shall be undertaken by any member of the law enforcement association or <sup>law enforcement</sup> ~~agency or~~ law enforcement officer, and provided that no person shall initiate contact with the general public in person or by telephone for the purpose of selling property.

It shall not include advertisements posted in a public place or media advertising in a newspaper or on radio or television.'

#### Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to allow a law enforcement association to raise funds by sponsoring public events where admission fees are charged, but where no member of the association participates in the selling of tickets and all sales of admission tickets are handled by the normal ticketing agents, such as, the theater or auditorium at which the event is being held.

Reported by the Committee on Business Legislation.

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