# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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#### ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

No. 1509

H. P. 1278 House of Representatives, April 11, 1977 On Motion of Mr. Bustin of Augusta referred to the Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Spencer of Standish.

#### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

#### AN ACT to Extend Collective Bargaining Rights to County Employees.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

- 26 MRSA § 962, sub-§ 7, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 9, is further amended to read:
- 7. Public employer. "Public employer" means any officer, board, commission, council, committee or other persons or body acting on behalf of any municipality or town or any subdivision thereof, or of any school, water, sewer or other district, or of the Maine Turnpike Authority, or of any county or of any subdivision thereof.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill will further the declared public purpose of the State as set forth in Title 26, section 961, "to promote the improvement of the relationship between public employers and their employees."

This bill will promote the efficient operation of county government by insuring that the relationship between county employees and their employer is harmonious.

This bill will insure that county employees are granted the same rights as are now held by state employees, municipal employees and employees of the University of Maine and of the Maine Turnpike Authority.