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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

(Filing No. H-24)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to H.P. 136, L.D. 146, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Avoidance of Contracts Made on the Lord's Day."

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

'Sec. 1. 16 MRSA §§352 and 353 are repealed.

Sec. 2. 16 MRSA §353-A is enacted to read:

§353-A. Contracts and torts on Lord's Day

No deed, contract, receipt or other instrument in writing shall be voidable only because it was made, executed, dated or delivered on the Lord's Day.

Title 17, chapter 105, relating to the observance of the Lord's

Day shall not affect the rights or remedy of either party in any
action for a tort or injury suffered on that day.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment clarifies the bill's provisions to include all relevant statutes. The bill, as amended, does not change the statutory provisions prohibiting the operation of certain businesses on Sunday.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Judiciary Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House 2/13/79 (Filing No. H-24)