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Presented by Mrs. Beaulieu of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Clarify Unit Clarification Procedures under the Municipal Labor Relations Act.

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA § 967, next to last \P , last sentence, as amended by PL 1969, c. 578, § 5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Where there is a valid collective bargaining agreement in effect, no question concerning unit determination or representation may be raised, except during the period not more than 90 days nor less than 60 days prior to the expiration date of the agreement.

Sec. 2. 26 MRSA § 967, next to last ¶, as last amended by PL 1969, c. 578, § 5, is further amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

The not more than 90-day nor less than 60-day period prior to the expiration date of an agreement regarding unit determination and representation shall not apply to matters of unit clarification.

STATEMENT OF FACT

It is the intent of this bill to clarify the application of certain procedures under the Municipal Employee Labor Relations Act. Specifically, it is to deal with the area called "unit clarification" to allow for adjustments in specific classification any time there is a change in status. This process then would be consistent with the National Labor Relations Act.