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**Legislative Document**

**No. 38**

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H. P. 33 House of Representatives, December 19, 1980  
Submitted by the Human Rights Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 24.  
Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Davies of Orono.

Cosponsor: Mrs. Masterton of Cape Elizabeth.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

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**AN ACT to Make Confidential Certain Documents of the Maine Human Rights Commission.**

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

5 MRSA § 4612, sub-§ 1, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 648, § 2, is amended by adding after the first sentence, the following new sentence:

**Nothing said or done as part of those endeavors may be made public without the written consent of the parties to the proceeding nor used as evidence in any subsequent proceeding, civil or criminal.**

STATEMENT OF FACT

A similar provision already exists under the Maine Human Rights Act relative to conciliation efforts in the Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 4612, subsection 3. This bill proposes similar language during predetermination settlement negotiations.