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7 8 9	H.P. 597 House of Representatives, February 14, 19 Referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.	
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12 13	STATE OF MAINE	
14 15 16	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE	
17 18 19	AN ACT to Prohibit Smoking in Indoor Public Waiting Areas.	
20 21	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine a follows:	as
22 23	22 MRSA §1578, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 333, amended to read:	is
24	§1578. Smoking prohibited in certain indoor place	<u>es</u>
25 26 27 28	1. <u>Smoking prohibited.</u> No person may smol tobacco or any other substance in any public proceed ings which are held inside <u>or indoor public waitin</u> <u>areas</u> , except as otherwise provided in this section	d- ng
29 30 31 32	2. <u>Smoking defined.</u> "Smoking" includes carryin or having in one's possession a lighted cigarette cigar, pipe or other object giving off or containing any substance giving off smoke.	э,

1 3. <u>Public proceedings defined</u>. "Public proceed-2 ings," as used in this section, means the trans-3 actions of any functions affecting any or all citi-4 zens of the State by any of the following:

5 A. The Legislature and its committees and sub-6 committees;

7 в. Any board or commission of any state agency 8 authority, the Board of Trustees of the Unior 9 versity of Maine and any of its committees and subcommittees, the Administrative Council of the 10 University of Maine, the Board of Trustees of the 11 12 Maine Maritime Academy and any of its committees 13 and subcommittees; and

14 C. Any board, commission, agency or authority of
15 any county, municipality, school district or any
16 other political or administrative subdivision.

17 <u>3-A. Indoor public waiting area de-</u> 18 fined. "Indoor public waiting area," as used in this 19 section, means any public or private place where mem-20 bers of the public congregate as invitees, while 21 awaiting the performance of a service.

4. <u>No smoking signs posted</u>. There shall be
 posted in conspicuous places <u>in indoor public waiting</u>
 <u>areas or</u> where these public proceedings are held an
 adequate number of "no smoking" signs.

26 5. <u>Exception</u>. Smoking at a public proceeding 27 shall be allowed, provided all members present have 28 given their consent for others to smoke.

STATEMENT OF FACT

30 The purpose of this bill is to ban smoking in 31 indoor waiting areas, such as doctors' offices, bus 32 stations, airport passenger gate areas or other areas 33 where members of the public are required to wait for 34 the performance of a service.

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