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1 (New Draft of H.P. 333, L.D. 392)
2 (New Title)

3 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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5 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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7 Legislative Document

No. 1660

9 H.P. 1246

House of Representatives, May 23, 1983

10 Reported by the Majority from the Committee on Labor and printed
11 under Joint Rule 2.

12 Original bill presented by Representative Hobbins of Saco. Cosponsored
by Senator Carpenter of Aroostook and Senator Violette of Aroostook.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

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16 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
17 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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19 AN ACT to Authorize the Supreme Judicial
20 Court to Provide for Collective Bargaining
21 for Judicial Department Employees.
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23 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
24 follows:

25 Sec. 1. 4 MRSA c. 1, sub-c. 1-E is enacted to
26 read:

27 SUBCHAPTER 1-E
28 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

29 §31. Purpose

30 It is declared to be the public policy of the
31 State and it is the purpose of this subchapter to
32 promote the continued improvement of the relationship

1 between the Judicial Department and its employees by
2 providing a uniform basis for recognizing the right
3 of judicial employees to join labor organizations of
4 their own choosing and to be represented by these
5 organizations in matters concerning their employment
6 relations with the Judicial Department.

7 §32. Procedures; advisory committee

8 1. Collective bargaining. The Supreme Judicial
9 Court may propose appropriate procedures for defining
10 and implementing the collective bargaining rights of
11 Judicial Department employees, including, without
12 limitation, definition of employees and appropriate
13 subjects of collective bargaining, determination of
14 appropriate bargaining units, certification and elec-
15 tion of a bargaining agent, appeals process, impasse
16 resolution procedure and enforcement mechanisms.

17 2. Advisory committee. The Supreme Judicial
18 Court shall designate an advisory committee to recom-
19 mend procedures. The committee shall include repre-
20 sentatives of public sector management and public
21 sector bargaining agents. Opportunity shall be pro-
22 vided for the expression of views of Judicial Depart-
23 ment employees.

24 Sec. 2. Report. The proposed procedures shall
25 be reported back to the Legislature by the start of
26 the Second Regular Session of the 111th Legislature.

27 STATEMENT OF FACT

28 This new draft adds a new subchapter to Title 4,
29 chapter 1, which authorizes the Supreme Judicial
30 Court to propose appropriate procedures for defining
31 and implementing collective bargaining rights of
32 Judicial Department employees. The court will desig-
33 nate an advisory committee to recommend procedures
34 which will include both management and labor repre-
35 sentatives from the public sector. The proposed
36 procedures will be reported back to the Legislature
37 by the start of the Second Regular Session of the
38 111th Legislature for further action.

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