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1	L.D. 353
2	(Filing No. H- 151)
3 4 5 6	STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 113TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION
7 8 9	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " to H.P. 270, L.D. 353, Bill, "AN ACT to Prohibit Smoking on Public Areas of Publicly Owned Buildings."
10 11 12	Amend the bill in that part designated "§1578-A" by inserting at the end of subsection 1 the following:
13 14	'D. For public proceedings held in publicly owned buildings, section 1576 shall apply.'
15 16 17	Further amend the bill in that part designated " $\S1578-A$." by striking out all of subsection 3 and inserting in its place the following:
18 19	'3. Exceptions. The following are exceptions to subsection 2.
20 21 22 23 24	A. For any portion of publicly owned buildings which are used exclusively for nonpublic purposes or leased by private organizations, corporations or entities, except as provided in paragraph B, this section does not apply.
25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35	B. For any enclosed indoor restaurant or cafeteria or other enclosed indoor area which serves food for consumption on the premises of the publicly owned building, a no smoking area reasonably calculated to address the needs of the nonsmoking public shall be made available. In addition, a sign indicating the policy on seating smokers and nonsmokers shall be prominently displayed at or near the entrance. A sign need not be displayed if a host or hostess seats patrons and indicates verbally at the time of seating the policy of the eating establishment.

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7	C. For civic auditoriums, as defined in Title 28, section 2, smoking may be allowed in the hallways and lobby areas as long as a no smoking area is maintained between the main entrance to the building and one or more doors to the auditorium or area where performances or other events occur.'
8	STATEMENT OF FACT
9 10 11 12 13 14	This amendment provides 2 new exceptions to the no smoking policy established by this bill: Restaurants in public buildings, which must have a reasonably sufficient no smoking area; and civic centers, which must keep some areas between the main entrance and the auditorium as a no smoking area.
15 16 17 18 19	This amendment also adds an exclusion for public proceedings held in publicly owned buildings. Those proceedings shall continue to be governed by current law which allows emoking if all members present have given their consent for others to smoke.
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