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L.D. 577

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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
114TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 247, L.D. 577, Bill, "An Act Relating to Contracts Administered by the Department of Transportation"

Amend the bill in section 3, in subsection 1, in the 9th line (page 1, line 33 in L.D.) by inserting after the underlined words, "money due" the underlined words 'under the contract'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment clarifies the bill but retains its intent to expedite resolution of claims by requiring a subcontractor to submit a claim to the Department of Transportation within 90 days and then to arbitration within 60 days. At present, the subcontractor submits the claim 90 days after delivery, and then the department submits it to arbitration, with no time limit, except the 7-year statute of limitations. In both cases, the arbitration is binding. The amendment also retains the provision which allows the department to withhold more than 5% of the money due, but not more than the amount claimed, pending resolution of the claim.

Reported by Senator Theriault for the Committee on Transportation. Reproduced and Distributed Pursuant to Senate Rule 12.
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