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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative MANNING of Portland. Cosponsored by Representative BURKE of Vassalboro, Senator COLLINS of Aroostook and Senator TWITCHELL of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Restrict Smoking in Enclosed Shopping Malls.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
3	Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1671, sub-§2 is enacted to read:
5	2. Smoking. "Smoking" means carrying or having in one's possession a lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe or other object
7	giving off or containing any substance giving off tobacco smoke.
9	Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §1672-A is enacted to read:
11	<u>§1672-A. Smoking restricted</u>
13	1. Policy notice. The owner or manager, or designee, of every shopping center subject to this chapter shall establish a
15	written policy concerning smoking and nonsmoking by members of the public in any enclosed common area of the center. In order
17	to protect the public from detrimental effects of smoking by others, the policy shall prohibit smoking, except in designated
19	<u>smoking areas. The policy may prohibit smoking throughout the facility, but must not permit smoking throughout the facility.</u>
21	<u>A printed copy of this policy shall be posted in conspicuous locations throughout the common areas governed by the policy.</u>
23	2. Designated smoking areas. Areas designated as smoking
25	<u>areas shall be located in areas designed to minimize the effect of environmental tobacco smoke on the public.</u>
27	3. Violations. This section may be enforced only against
29	the owners and managers of shopping centers, or their designees.
31	STATEMENT OF FACT
33	The bill restricts smoking in enclosed shopping centers.
35	Under this bill, owners or managers of shopping centers are required to establish policies restricting smoking and
37	designating certain areas as "smoking areas." The provision is allocated to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 270,
39	which defines "shopping centers" and contains an enforcement provision. Accordingly, under this bill, the failure of
41	managers or owners to establish and post policies is a civil violation for which a maximum fine of \$200 may be adjudged.

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