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## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 115TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "H" to H.P. 764, L.D. 1098, Bill, "An Act to Protect the Rights of Independent Sales Representatives after Termination of Their Contracts"

Amend the bill in that part designated "<u>§1342.</u>" in the first 18 paragraph in the next to the last line (page 1, line 47 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "<u>60 days written</u>" and inserting 20 in its place the following: '<u>14 days' written</u>'

Further amend the bill in that part designated "<u>\$1343.</u>" in the first paragraph in the 4th line from the end (page 2, line 3 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "<u>14</u>" and inserting in its place the following: '<u>30</u>'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the 28 statement of fact the following:

## **FISCAL NOTE**

32 This bill permits civil actions to be brought before the courts to recover commissions, damages, attorney's fees and court 34 costs. The additional work load and associated costs associated with the minimal number of additional cases filed in District 36 Court as a result of this provision will be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial Department.'

## STATEMENT OF FACT

The original bill requires a party terminating a contract with a sales representative to give 60 days' notice. This amendment changes that requirement to 14 days.

The original bill requires that a terminated representative 48 be paid any money owed within 14 days. This amendment changes the payment time to 30 days.

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