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Presented by Representative GWADOSKY of Fairfield. Cosponsored by Representative GURNEY of Portland and Representative GRAHAM of Houlton.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Amend the Maine Consumer Credit Code.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 9-A MRSA §8-303, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 243, §25, is amended to read: 4 6 2. No <u>A</u> seller in any sales transaction may <u>not</u> impose a surcharge on a cardholder whe or a seller's agent when the cardholder elects to use a credit card in lieu of payment by 8 cash, check or similar means. 10 12 STATEMENT OF FACT 14 Under current law, an agent of a seller may collect a full 16 commission when the buyer makes the purchase with a check or cash. If the buyer uses a credit card, the agent's commission is 18 substantially reduced. This bill allows agents of sellers to collect the commission to which they are entitled for services 20 they provide when buyers use a credit card.