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Presented by Representative RUHLIN of Brewer. Cosponsored by Representative RAND of Portland, Senator ESTY of Cumberland and Senator ESTES of York.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Protect the Integrity and Enforceability of Collective Bargaining Agreements.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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- Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §965, sub-§1, ¶D, as amended by PL 1985, c. 4 46, is further amended to read:
 - D. To execute in writing any agreements arrived at, the term of any such agreement to be subject to negotiation but shall may not exceed 3 years; and
- 10 Sec. 2. 26 MRSA §965, sub-§1, ¶D-1 is enacted to read:

12D-1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, to observe
and comply with every provision of the agreement pursuant to14paragraph D during its term, unless the Maine Labor
Relations Board first determines that a prohibited act has16occurred under section 964 that materially affected the
negotiation of the provision; and

Sec. 3. 26 MRSA §970, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 424, §1, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

22 In any judicial proceeding authorized by section 968, subsection 5, or the Uniform Arbitration Act, and notwithstanding 24 any other provision of law, no provision of a collective bargaining agreement may be determined invalid, unenforceable or 26 revocable during its term, unless the Maine Labor Relations Board first determines that a prohibited act has occurred under section 28 964 that materially affected the negotiation of the provision.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill requires both the public employer and the bargaining agent to comply with all contract provisions resulting from a collective bargaining agreement for the duration of the agreement unless the Maine Labor Relations Board first determines that the negotiation of such provisions was materially affected by a violation of the bargaining laws.

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