

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, April 4, 1991

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative OLIVER of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representative GEAN of Alfred, Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset and Representative ADAMS of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Expand the Conflict of Interest Laws for Officers and
Employees of the Maine State Housing Authority.**



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

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30-A MRSA §4724, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1989, c. 104, Pt.
4 C, §§8 and 10, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

6 1. Present employee or commissioner; interest in authority
7 contract or project prohibited. No employee or commissioner of
8 the Maine State Housing Authority may acquire any interest,
9 direct or indirect, in any contract, project or property included
10 or planned to be included in any project of the housing authority
11 during the employee's or commissioner's tenure with the
12 authority. As used in this subsection, the term "indirect
13 interest" means any financial interest in any firm, corporation,
14 partnership or association that may be a party to any contract or
15 project of the authority. This subsection does not apply to any
16 low-income assistance program for which the employee or
17 commissioner may personally be eligible.

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20 STATEMENT OF FACT

22 This bill expands the prohibition against employees and
23 commissioners of the Maine State Housing Authority having a
24 personal financial interest in projects of the authority.
25 Current law allows employees and commissioners to have such an
26 interest so long as they do not participate in any decision of
27 the authority relating to the project. The bill prohibits
28 employees and commissioners from acquiring such interests.