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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative FARNSWORTH of Hallowell.
Cosponsored by Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro and Representative MARSANO of Belfast.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Amend the Provisions Regarding Post-judgment Interest.

(AFTER DEADLINE)



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

14 MRSA §1602-A, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1989, c. 502, Pt. B, §15, is further amended to read:

2. Other action. For other actions, equal to the coupon issue yield equivalent, as determined by the United States Secretary of the Treasury, of the average accepted auction price for the last auction of 52-week United States Treasury bills settled immediately prior to the date from which the interest is calculated, plus 3% 8%.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill amends the post-judgment interest provision to make large awards subject to interest at close to the same rate as smaller awards within the jurisdictional limits of the District Court. On April 3, 1991, the specific United States Treasury bill rate was 6.28%. By increasing the differential between the United States Treasury bill rate and the interest for large awards from 3% to 8%, the overall interest rate for the large awards is comparable to the 15% interest rate for the smaller awards.

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