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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative MITCHELL of Freeport. Cosponsored by Senator CLARK of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Amend the Banking Laws to Allow Nonprofit Groups to Develop Affordable Housing.

(AFTER DEADLINE)

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

Sec. 1. 9-A MRSA §1-202, sub-§7, as amended by PL 1987, c. 129, §10, is further amended to read:

7. A loan or consumer credit sale made exclusively for the purpose of deferring or financing educational expenses and on which the finance charge does not exceed that rate per year on the unpaid balances of the amount financed, as shall--be established by federal law, or, for loans or consumer credit sales for which federal law does not establish a rate, the highest rate established for educational loans under any federal program and which that is insured, guaranteed, subsidized or made directly by the Federal Government, a state, a nonprofit private loan guaranty or organization, by the educational institution itself or through an endowment or trust fund affiliated with such an institution; ef

Sec. 2. 9-A MRSA §1-202, sub-§8, \PC , as amended by PL 1987, c 396, §2, is further amended to read:

C. With respect to a creditor other than a supervised financial organization, the exemption provided by this subsection shall-apply applies to articles II, III, IV and V only; or

Sec. 3. 9-A MRSA §1-202, sub-§10 is enacted to read:

10. A loan or credit sale made by a creditor to a
moderate-income, low-income or very low-income person to finance the acquisition of real estate by that person from the creditor,
when the creditor is a nonprofit corporation chartered to provide affordable housing to residents of this State and when part of the purpose of the loan or credit sale is to establish covenants controlling or maintaining the affordability of the real estate
to a moderate-income, low-income and very low-income person.

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This bill exempts from the provisions of the Maine Consumer Credit Code a loan or credit sale to a moderate-income, low-income or very low-income person by a creditor that is a nonprofit corporation when part of the purpose of the sale is to establish or maintain affordable housing.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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