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STATE OF MAINE
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SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1591, L.D. 2245, Bill, "An Act to Strengthen the Public Disclosure of Lobbying Activities"

Amend the amendment by inserting after section 2 the following:

'Sec. 3. 3 MRSA §312-A, sub-§10-A is enacted to read:

10-A. Meals and entertainment activity. "Meals and entertainment activity" means the provision of a meal or entertainment to 5 or more officials in the legislative branch or administrative officials or both at a single event, whether or not the provision is for the purpose of influencing a legislative or administrative action.'

Further amend the amendment after the 9th paragraph after the title, by inserting after line 38 (page 2 in amendment) the following:

'Further amend the bill in section 8 in subsection 1, in paragraph F in the 3rd line (page 3, line 40 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "branch" the following: 'or administrative officials'

Further amend the bill in section 8 in subsection 1, in paragraph G in the 2nd line (page 3, line 46 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "branch" the following: 'or administrative officials'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of paragraphs K and L (page 2, lines 49 to 52 and page 3, lines 2 to 7 in amendment) and inserting in their place the following:

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2 'K. A section in which a lobbyist may indicate through a
3 check mark that the lobbyist did not participate in any
4 lobbying activities, receive compensation or receive
5 reimbursement for expenses for that month;

6 L. A section in which a lobbyist may indicate through a
7 check mark that the lobbyist requests an exemption under
8 subsection 1-A. This section must clearly state that the
9 lobbyist intends not to perform lobbying activities, receive
10 compensation or receive reimbursement for expenditures until
11 the Legislature convenes in a regular or special session; and

12 M. The date and total amount of money expended for each
13 meal and entertainment activity.'

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15 Further amend the amendment by renumbering the sections to
16 read consecutively.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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22 This amendment adds a definition of "meals and entertainment
23 activity," which means the provision of a meal or entertainment
24 to 5 or more legislative or administrative officials at a single
25 event, whether or not the event is related to a pending matter,
26 and requires reporting of meals and entertainment activities.
27 The amendment also requires reporting of lobbying expenditures
28 made to influence administrative officials as well as legislative
29 branch officials.

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