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STATE OF MAINE
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SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1417, L.D. 1931, Bill, "An Act to Promote Integrity in the Citizens Petition Process"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§904-A~~" by striking out all of the first line (page 1, line 5 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following

'§904-A. Payment per signature; prohibition'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §904-B is enacted to read:

§904-B. Payment for signature; prohibition

A circulator of an initiative or a referendum petition or a person who causes the circulation of an initiative or referendum petition may not pay or offer to pay any compensation to a person for the person's signature on the initiative or referendum petition.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

FISCAL NOTE

The Department of the Secretary of State will incur some minor additional costs to enforce the prohibitions regarding initiative and referendum petitions. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted resources.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

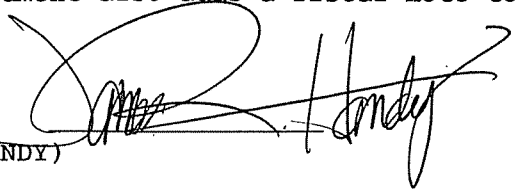
The amendment renames the original prohibition in the bill to "Payment per signature; prohibition."

The amendment also prohibits a person who collects signatures for an initiative or referendum petition from compensating or offering to compensate a person for the person's signature.

The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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