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No. 684

H.P. 503

House of Representatives, February 28, 1995

An Act to Amend the Laws Pertaining to Lobbyists.

Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft,
DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DESMOND of Mapleton, DRISCOLL of Calais, KNEELAND of
Easton, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro, POIRIER of Saco, ROSEBUSH of East
Millinocket, SIROIS of Caribou, STEDMAN of Hartland, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §312-A, sub-§7-A,** enacted by PL 1993, c. 446,
Pt. A, §10 and affected by §20, is amended to read:

6 **7-A. Immediate family.** "Immediate family" means a person's
spouse, parents, siblings and dependent children.

8 **Sec. 2. 3 MRSA §316-B** is enacted to read:

10 **§316-B. Lobbyist identification**

12 A person who is required to register as a lobbyist under
14 section 313 must wear a clearly visible name tag when lobbying in
16 the State House, the State Office Building or in another facility
18 in which official legislative business is being conducted. A
20 name tag must be blaze orange and at least 1 1/2 inches high and
2 1/2 inches long. The name tag must consist of the lobbyist's
first and last name and the word "lobbyist" or the name of the
organization represented in letters at least 1/4 inch high.

22 **Sec. 3. 3 MRSA §321, sub-§8** is enacted to read:

24 **8. Lobbyist directory.** Thirty days following the
26 commencement of each regular legislative session, the commission
28 shall prepare and make available a directory of lobbyists,
including the name and a picture of each lobbyist and identifying
the lobbyist's employer.

30 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

32 This bill requires lobbyists to wear name tags. The bill
34 also requires the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election
Practices to publish a directory of lobbyists. The bill adds
36 parents and siblings in the definition of immediate family.